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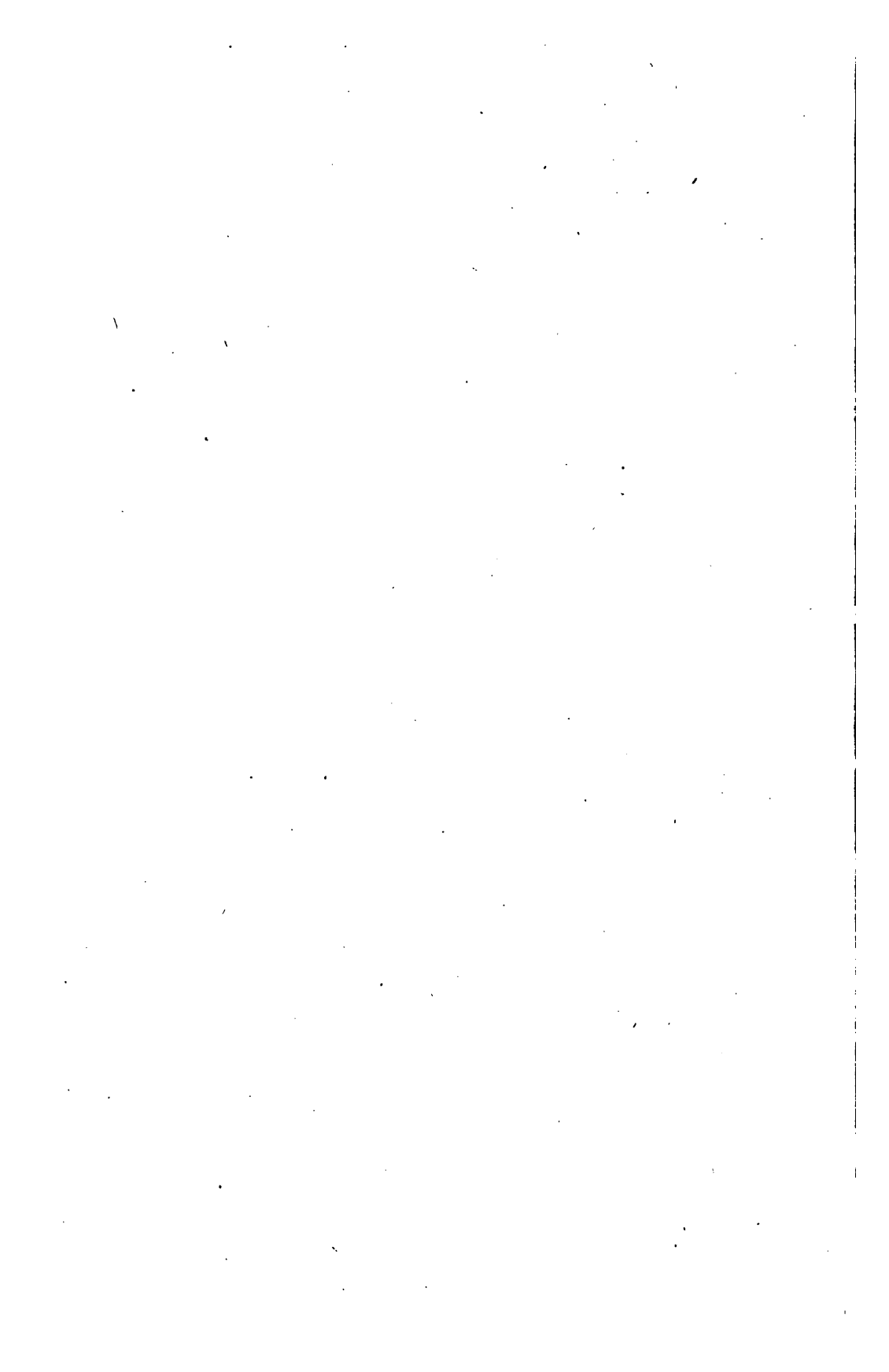


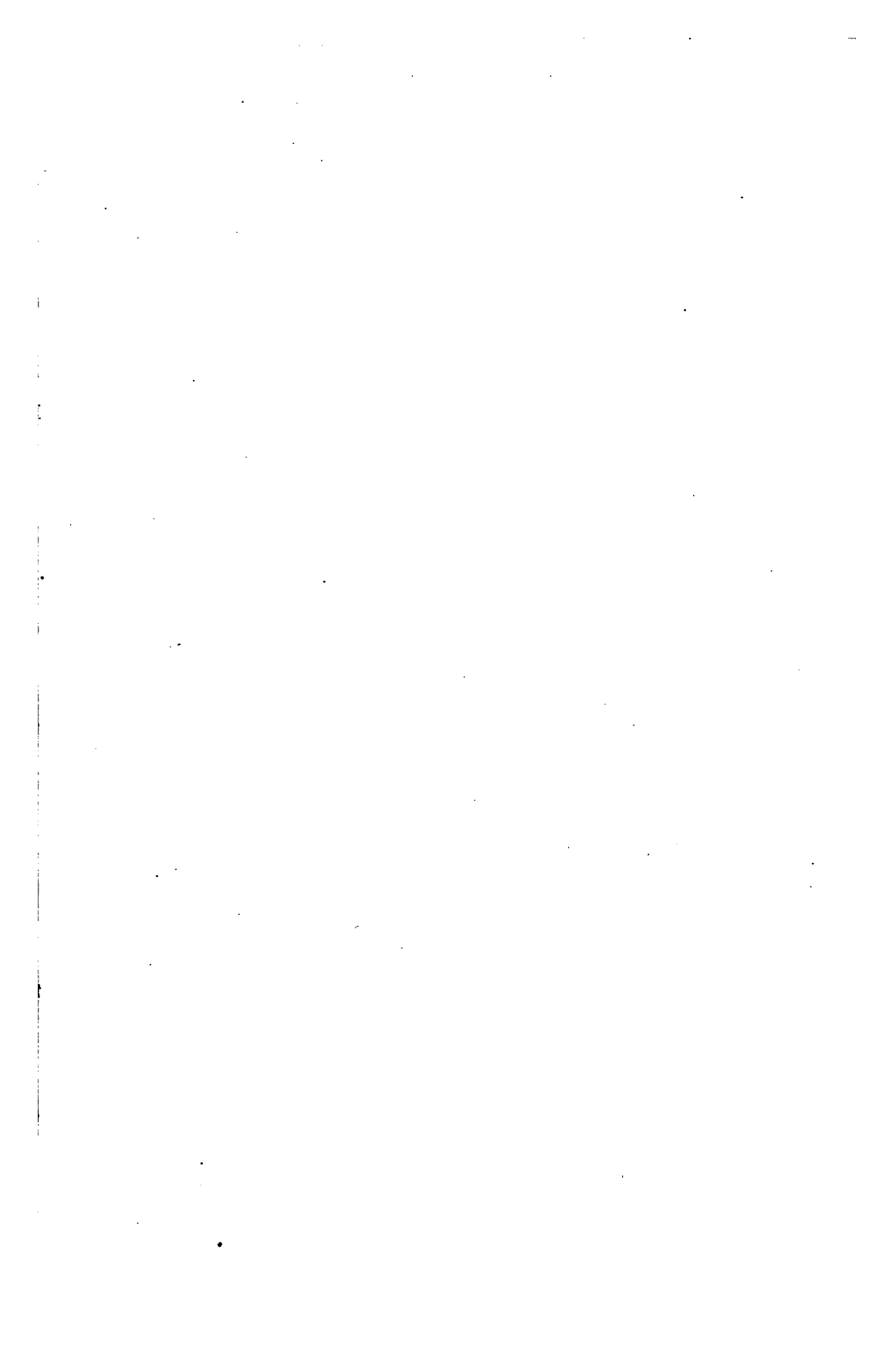
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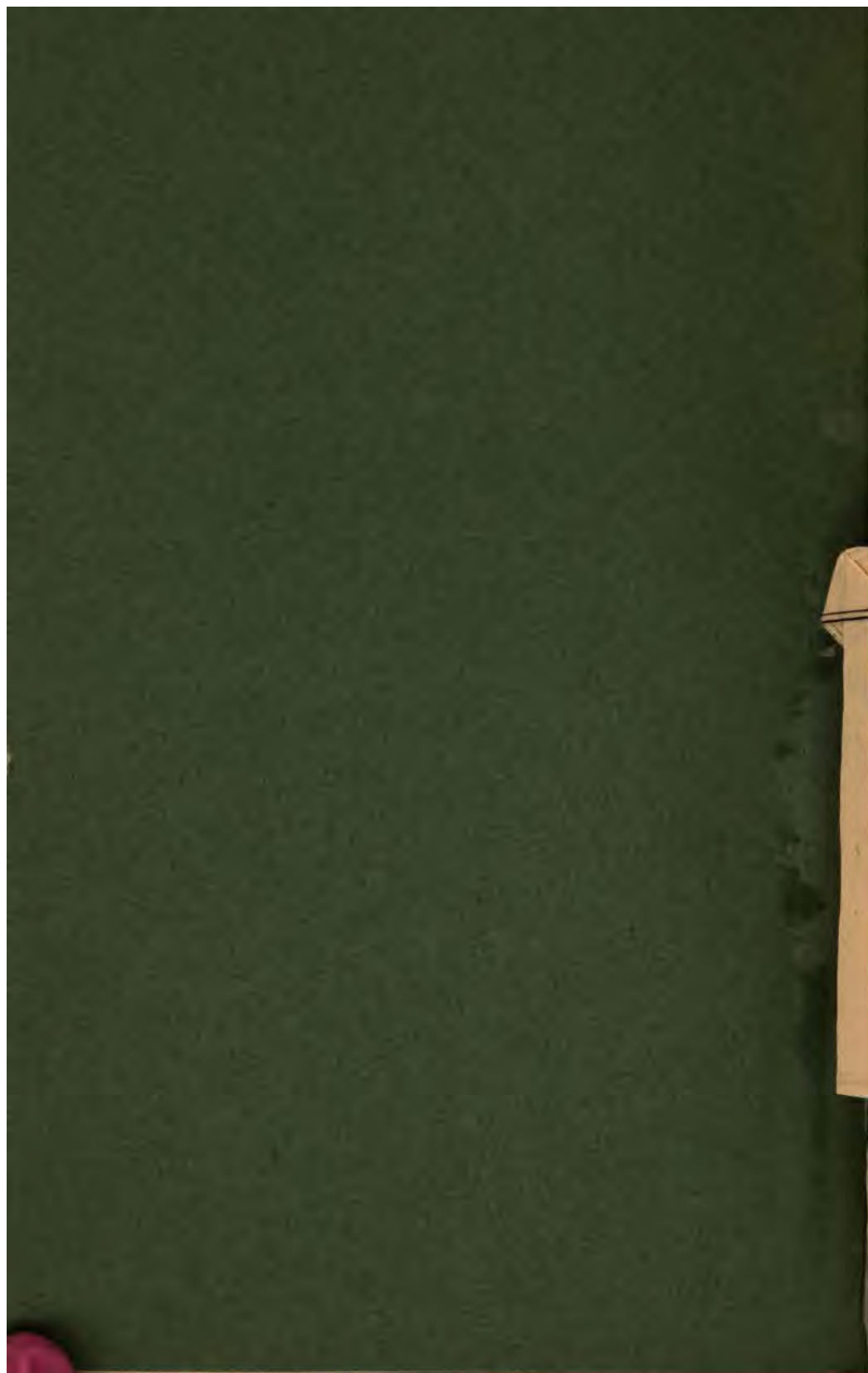


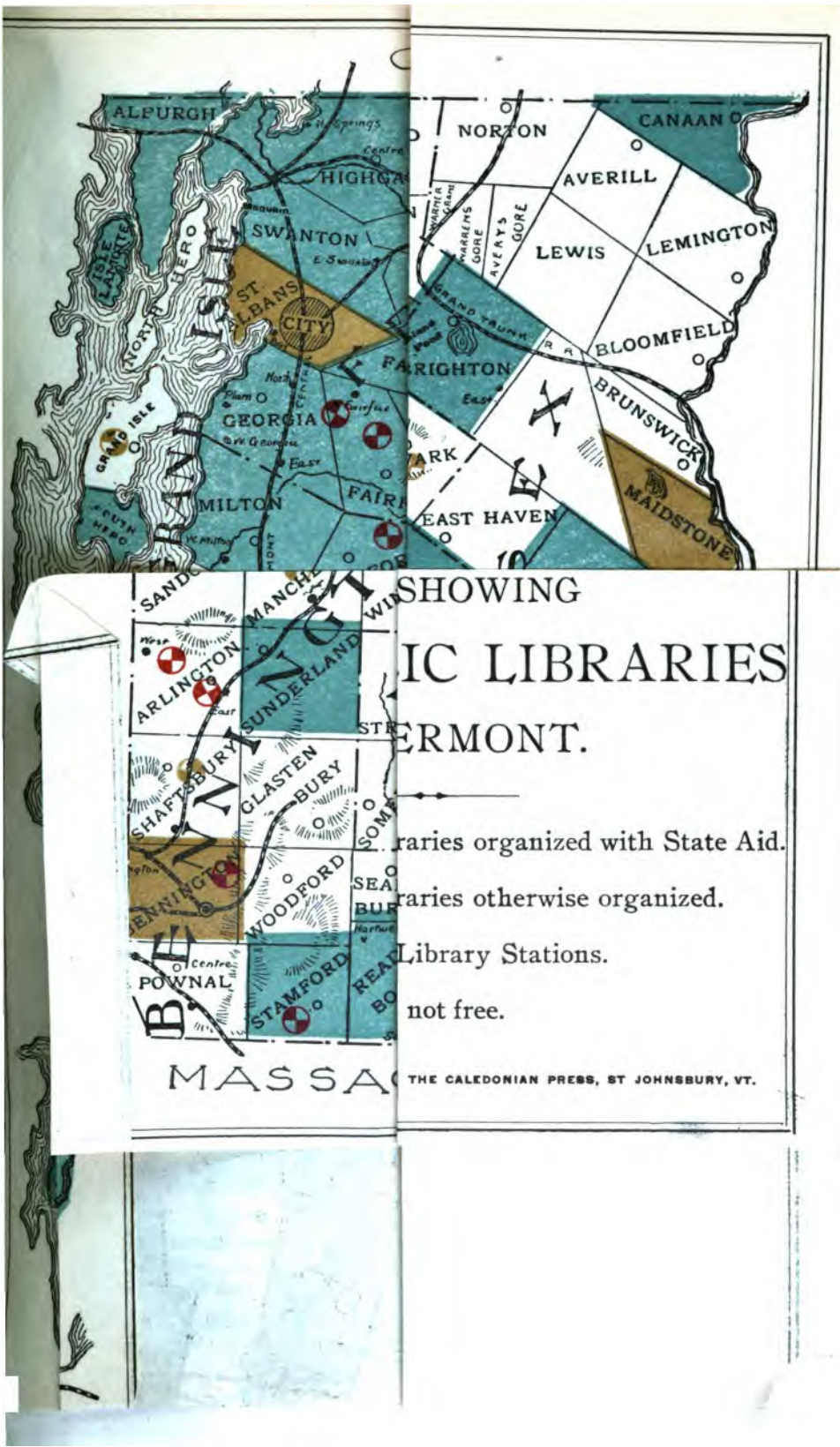
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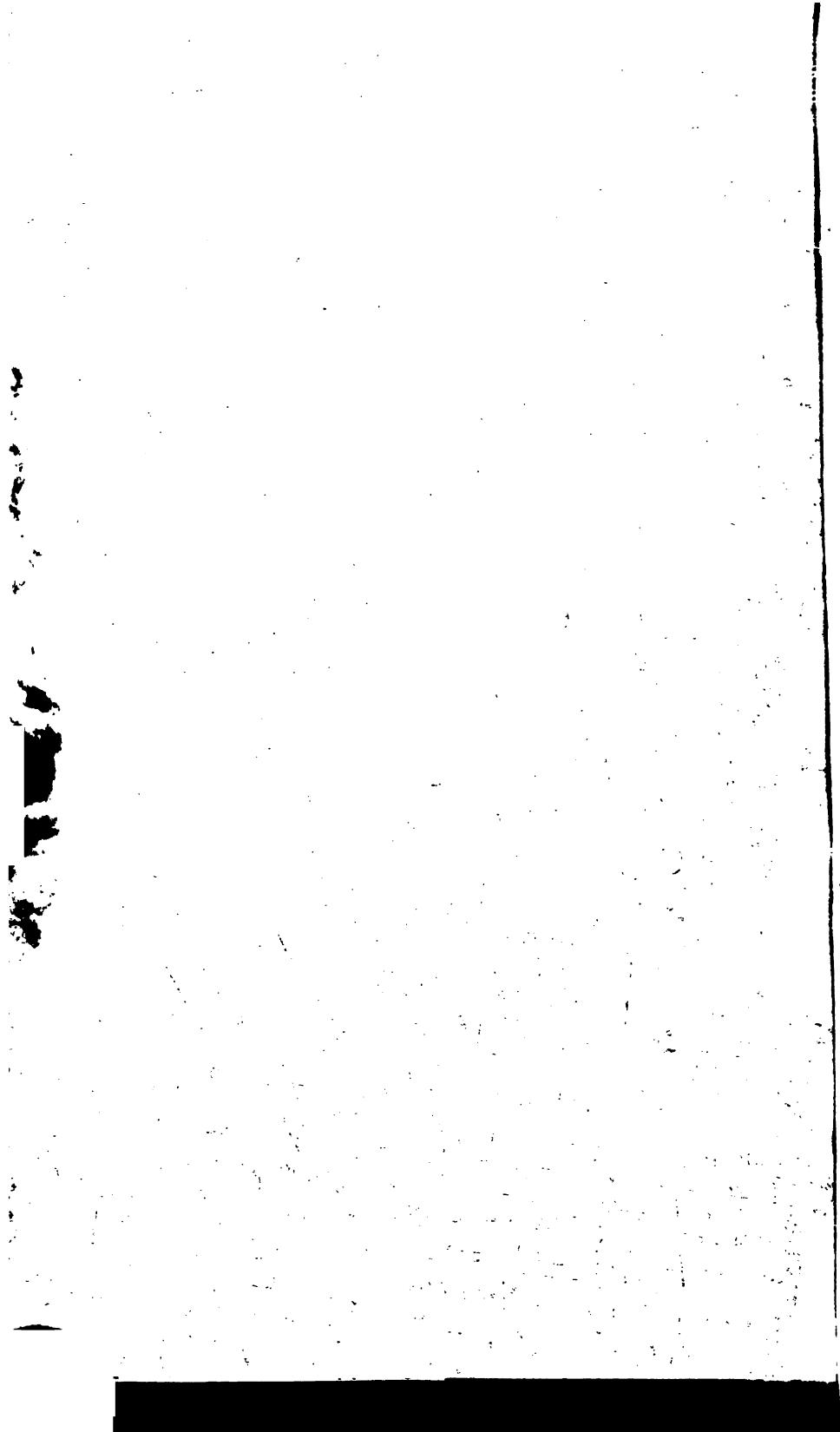




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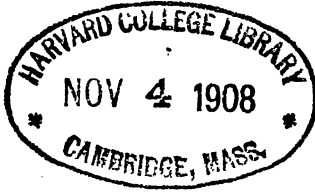
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TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF
VERMONT.

The Board of Library Commissioners herewith submits its seventh Biennial Report for the term ending June 30, 1908.

The past two years have been marked by steady, constant growth of public interest in the work of the Free Public Library. Your commission has aimed to bring the value and benefit of the Free Library System to the state at large, but in particular to the smaller communities and thinly settled sections of the state.

While it is impossible to measure the value of the work, the progress of culture and intelligence by the standard of dollars and cents or by statistics of any kind, it is worthy of note that, while in 1894, (when this commission was established), there were forty-nine, now there are two hundred and five libraries in Vermont; that the library buildings then were few and far between, and now there are sixty-seven.

Through public enterprise or private benevolence, the cities and larger towns are now fairly well equipped with libraries, which are doing good work in their several fields; but it is a somewhat difficult task to inaugurate a practical and serviceable library system in the smaller towns, because of their slender financial resources, and because they are naturally conservative and economical in their expenses.

It has seemed to the commission very important to maintain and elevate the intellectual standard of our rural school districts and communities. The most feasible method to this end is to place within the reach of each pupil in the public schools, the books best suited to his need. The traveling libraries, established and circulated by the commission, and the branch libraries, maintained by the larger public libraries, have accomplished much good in this direction.

To illustrate: The Abbott Memorial Library, at Pomfret, has come into effective co-operation with each school in that town, and presents an example of the advantage of such a library and of the aims of the commission. In Isle La Motte, Charlotte, and White River Junction, the local libraries have been genuine public benefits through the enterprise of a few public-spirited ladies, and have done efficient work in the sense above referred to.

There are many others in the state that are quietly but effectively promoting the welfare of Vermont.



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY

A most important part of the state's citizenship is deprived of proper access to the library if no provision is made for Sunday opening. The man confined to his labor every day but Sunday should be able on that day to take his share of the public benefit provided by the state. This has been recognized of late by the librarians, and Montpelier, Burlington, Brattleboro and St. Albans provide such opportunities.

In its endeavor to reach the scholars in the public schools, the commission has received assistance from Hon. Mason S. Stone, Superintendent of Education. We have found that the system of district supervision is a good method of reaching the smaller schools, and that the school supervisors are very helpful and energetic in their appreciation of this work.

The board held a meeting at Brandon in April, 1908, which was attended by representatives of each college and normal school



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY—STACK ROOM

in the state, by Governor Proctor, Mr. Stone, and several of the district supervisors. The work done and discussions held were of such a helpful nature that it was deemed advisable by the board to have regular meetings of this kind held quarterly through the different sections of the state, in order to develop an efficient co-operation between the school department and the library commission.

One object of such meetings is to assist the local librarians to realize the responsibility of their position, and the opportunities they have for work outside of the village where their library is situated. Wherever branch or traveling libraries have been placed in the schoolhouses or little hamlets, marked interest and good results have always ensued.

From June 29th to July 3rd, 1908, the commission held a librarian's institute at Burlington for the purpose of assisting the librarians through the state by giving practical and technical instruction in the use and management of libraries. Miss Harriet R. Peck, of Gloversville, N. Y., instructor in the summer session of Simmons College, at Boston, was engaged by the board to give instruction. This was the first institute of its kind in this state, and while modest in comparison with those long established and successful in other states, the result was very gratifying. There was a good attendance, keen interest in the work done, and an enthusiasm developed that means well for the future.



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY—CHILDREN'S ROOM

The commission has tried to co-operate with the Board of Penal Institutions of the state in the hope to improve the conditions in the penal institutions and hospitals. It has been very gratifying to know that the traveling library at the State's Prison at Windsor has been well appreciated, and that its inmates have taken an active and intelligent interest and have called for the best grade of books.

Steps have been taken to make proper use of the state traveling libraries at the House of Correction and in the State Hospital for the Insane. We understand that for many years there has been a library at the Brattleboro Retreat for the Insane, which has been of much benefit and service to that institution and has tended greatly to relieve the condition of the unfortunate inmates.

The commission has found at their disposal a great amount of periodical literature, consisting of unbound volumes of our best monthly magazines. These have accumulated to such a degree as to require distribution without further delay. We trust that some way may be found to make these of real help to the penal and charitable institutions of the state.

The library, of itself, without an efficient librarian is of small account to the public, so the commission has found it most important to get into touch with the several librarians and become familiar with their several local needs and conditions, and finally to render such assistance as each case demands, so far as the same can be given.

This work implies a great deal of travel, correspondence, and personal service. The commission has entrusted a large part of its work to its secretary, who has put herself on familiar terms with many of the librarians, and has made personal visits during the last two years to the following libraries: Rutland, Free and Baxter Libraries, Brandon, Castleton, Free and Normal, Fair Haven, Johnson, Public and Normal, Poultney, Randolph, Hyde Park, Franklin, Enosburg Falls, Jeffersonville, Barre, Brookfield, Thetford, Fairlee, Bradford, Peru, Weston, Sheldon, Manchester, Ludlow, White River Junction, Brattleboro, Guilford, Vernon, Bennington, North Bennington, Bennington Center, Woodford, Proctorsville, Cavendish, Berkshire, Bakersfield, Winooski, St. Albans, Swanton, West Rutland, Post Mills, Pomfret, Woodstock, and Shoreham.

While some libraries have endowments and library appropriations, which ensure fair pay to the librarian, by far the greater number of librarians are now working for very small pay, several for less than twenty dollars per year, and even furnishing room for the books and doing the janitor work without compensation. Under such circumstances, it is natural that the work should seem unimportant and more or less of a drudgery to the librarian. For that reason the commission has found it all the



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY—ADULTS' READING ROOM

more necessary and important to give all the sympathy and encouragement to such librarians that circumstances permit.

One of the most effective ways is by public meetings, where the librarians can be gathered together for mutual help, counsel, and encouragement, and receive advice and instruction as to the performance of their duties. During the past two years, such meetings have been held at Manchester, St. Albans, Brandon, and Burlington, with marked success.

Since the last report libraries have been established with state aid at Bakersfield, Winooski, Thetford, and Brookfield, and assistance in cataloguing has been furnished by the commission for the libraries at Shoreham, Fair Haven, Barre, and Sheldon.

Now that most of the towns in the state have received state aid in establishing libraries, it becomes the duty of the state to so foster, encourage, and supervise these libraries that they may be of the greatest public benefit, and to this end the commission has recommended that they be allowed to furnish a limited amount of assistance each year to towns whose financial condition is such as to require aid in such work. This aid, being within the discretion of the commission, could be safely extended to such towns as are making good use of their library facilities, and would be an encouragement to the better and more extended use of the same.

The commission has continued its publication of the quarterly bulletin for free distribution, and this publication has come to be of great assistance to the librarians throughout the state, and well represents the library interests in Vermont. The commission has also sent out two thousand circular letters to the different towns during the past two years, and has been diligent in supplying the public press with educational matters pertaining to the work of the Public Library.

In order to keep the librarians abreast with the current progress of library affairs, and that the state might have the best services possible, the commission has been more than liberal in providing copies of the American Library Association Book List, and has distributed a large number of copies of the magazine "Public Libraries."

The state and commission suffered a great loss in the death of Hon. William H. DuBois, a member of the commission, who died on May 14, 1907. The only change made in the membership of the commission since the last report has been the appointment of



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY—LIBRARIAN'S DESK DECORATED FOR OPENING DAY

March M. Wilson to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. DuBois.

We recognize that there has been a great change and progress throughout the United States in all matters pertaining to libraries, and we have tried, so far as our limited means would allow, to keep our state fully equal to the advance. We have found in the librarians, teachers, and officials of the state a sincere and hearty desire to co-operate and help us in our work, and we are confident that if the progress continues Vermont will have an efficient public library system equal to its needs and of great benefit to the state.

MARCH M. WILSON, *Chairman.*

Randolph, Vt., July 29, 1908.



S. L. GRIFFITH MEMORIAL LIBRARY, DANBY—CURIO CASE IN REFERENCE ROOM

REPORT OF TRAVELING LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.

In the year 1900 the legislature of Vermont passed an act which made provision for the purchase and maintenance of a system of Traveling Libraries. This bill had been drawn up and its passage urged by the library committee of the State Federation of Woman's Clubs, which had already experimented with Traveling Libraries sufficiently to know that there was a distinct need for them in



TRAVELING LIBRARY—EXTERIOR VIEW

Vermont and that they would be welcome in many places. The federation gave over to the Commission 11 libraries as a nucleus for the work. These libraries were the gifts of various clubs to the cause.

We now report 3000 volumes.

34 regular mixed libraries of from 40 to 50 volumes each.

11 libraries of from 30 to 40 volumes each

6 school libraries of 30 volumes each.

11 special collections on the following subjects:

India, Scotland, Japan, Washington, Tennyson, Art, Child study, Missions, Famous women, Home economics, Great cities.

The method of procuring a Traveling Library is as follows: Send to the Superintendent of the department or the secretary of the commission for an application blank. This blank when filled out and signed by three citizens states the name of the person who is to act as librarian and have charge of the correspondence regarding the library. It also contains an agreement to return the



TRAVELING LIBRARY—INTERIOR VIEW

library within six months from its reception, to pay transportation charges and to make good any losses beyond reasonable wear.

The law requires the signatures of but three citizens. But it is always well to have a larger number behind the movement. The very best plan is to form a library association of the most progressive people, men and women, young and old, who shall plan for the reception and care of the library and shall work together to

create as wide an interest in it as possible. This association often makes a center of social life in a small town.

With each library is furnished a sufficient number of annotated lists of the books contained therein for all families in the community. These are designed to arouse interest and aid in making a selection of books desired. The expense of transportation of the books varies with the size of the library and the distance it must go, from fifty cents to a dollar and a half. The express companies make a reduction of half the regular rate on the return.

It is the hope of the Commission that towns to which Traveling Libraries are sent which have no other library privileges may become sufficiently interested to decide to establish a town library with state aid. A considerable number have already done so.

The Traveling Libraries are designed to meet a variety of needs:

- 1st. That of towns having no libraries.
- 2nd. That of towns having small libraries which have too few books to meet the demands for them.
- 3rd. That of towns in which the libraries are not free.
- 4th. That of larger libraries desiring lists of books on special subjects.
- 5th. That of study clubs.
- 6th. That of schools of all grades.

In point of fact the demand has come largely from classes 1, 3 and 5.

We submit the following statistics, sample catalog and sample special list:

- Number of stations, 49.
- Number added the past two years, 21.
- Number of stations dropped the past two years, 16.
- Circulation of fiction, 3533.
- Circulation of children's books, 4034.
- Circulation of non-fiction, 2424. Total, 9991.
- Number of general libraries, 45.
- Number of school libraries, 6.
- Number of special collections, 11.

SUSAN H. SMITH, for Commission.

TRAVELING LIBRARY NO. 35.

CATALOG.

- 1 Abbott, Jacob.** Caroline; Agnes.
Another story from incidents in the lives of the Franconia children.
- 2 Andrews, Mary Raymond Shipman.** Perfect tribute.
A touching story of the change wrought upon a dying Southern soldier by Lincoln's address at Gettysburg.
- 3 Barbour, Ralph Henry.** Four afoot.
A vacation tramp through Long Island by four lively lads who have numerous stirring adventures.
- 4 Blanchan, Neltje pseud of Mrs. Nellie Blanchan (DeGraff) Doubleday.** Birds that every child should know.
Entertaining talks concerning our most common species of birds.
- 5 Brown, Adna.** From Vermont to Damascus.
The experiences of a Vermonter on a journey to the Holy Land.
- 6 Carpenter, Edmund Janes.** Long ago in Greece.
Twenty classic tales from the ancient story-tellers retold for young people.
- 7 Churchill, Winston.** Coniston.
The life and love story of a political boss in a New England state.
- 8 Clopton, Mrs. Virginia (Tunstall) Clay.** Belle of the Fifties.
The life and adventures of a Southern woman, before and during the Civil War.
- 9 Collins, Wilkie.** Woman in white.
Called one of the best sensational novels written.
- 10 Collyer, Robert.** Father Taylor.
A short biography of this popular seaman's chaplain.
- 11 Couch, Arthur Thomas Quiller.** Sir John Constantine.
A tale of adventure connected with the island of Corsica.
- 12 Deland, Mrs. Margaret Wade (Campbell).** Awakening of Helena Richie.
The story of the transformation wrought in a worldly woman by her love for a little child. Another tale of Old Chester.
- 13 DeMorgan, William.** Alice-for-short.
A sweet story of the growth to maturity of a child in London. Many are reminded of Dickens in the style of the book.
- 14 Dodd, Mrs. Helen (Chamberlain).** Healthful farmhouse, by a farmer's wife.
An admirable little book full of practical ideas as to arrangement of rooms and furniture, for convenience, health and enjoyment.
- 15 Doffed coronet.**
The strange story of the wife of a man engaged on a secret mission, beginning in Egypt and ending in New York.
- 16 Duncan, Norman.** Adventures of Billy Popsail.
A yarn of a boy's voyage to the north seas.
- 17 Duncan, Norman.** Cruise of the Shining Light.
Called one of the best recent novels. Has a quaint and delightful touch of humor. Same setting as Dr. Luke of the Labrador.
- 18 Dutton, Maude Barrows.** Little stories of Germany.
Tales from history for children.
- 19 Dye, Mrs. Eva Emery.** McDonald of Oregon.
A romance of a historical personage who established a school in Japan, and whose pupils were interpreters for Commodore Perry.

- 20 **Eliot, George, pseud. of Mrs. Marian (Evans) Lewes Cross.** *Daniel Deronda.*
A spirited drama of a gay and accomplished girl and her selfish, despotic husband.
- 21 **Fothergill, Jessie.** First violin.
A novel, whose chief characters are musicians.
- 22 **Green, Olive.** What to have for breakfast.
A great number of tried recipes conveniently classified with 365 appropriate breakfast menus.
- 23 **Hall, Eliza Calvert.** Aunt Jane of Kentucky.
A picture of rural Kentucky life full of humor and pathos. The first chapter has been especially commended by President Roosevelt.
- 24 **Hay, John.** Addresses.
Brilliant and popular, and on a wide variety of topics.
- 25 **Hill, Mrs. Marion.** Pettison Twins.
Humorous account of a mother bridging up her children according to the latest methods.
- 26 **Huntington, Dwight W.** Our big game.
A book for sportsmen and nature lovers. Chapters on deer, bears and other wild animals.
- 27 **Jewett, Sarah Orne.** Country of the pointed firs.
Stories of life and character in a Maine sea-coast village.
- 28 **Kingsley, Mrs. Florence (Morse).** Resurrection of Miss Cynthia.
A little spinster prepares to die, but decides to live first.
- 29 **Lang, Andrew.** Orange fairy book.
Another popular collection of tales for children.
- 30 **Morrison, Harry Steele.** How I worked my way around the world.
The true story of the adventures of a poor but energetic boy.
- 31 **Otis, James, pseud. of James Otis Kaler.** Toby Tyler.
Toby runs away and spends ten weeks with a circus.
- 32 **Plummer, Mary Wright.** Roy and Ray in Mexico.
The twins, going on twelve, travel about Mexico with their parents. The book is a record of an actual journey.
- 33 **Potter, Beatrix.** Tale of Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle.
A little story of Mrs. Hedgehog for children.
- 34 **Rankin, Mrs. Carroll (Watson).** Dandelion Cottage.
The story of four little girls and their real playhouse.
- 35 **Richardson D.** The long day.
The true story of a New York working girl as told by herself.
- 36 **Schultz, James Willard.** My life as an Indian.
The author went to the Blackfoot Country when a young man, and marrying an Indian woman became one of the Piegan Blackfeet.
- 37 **Schupp, Ottokar.** William of Orange.
An account of the struggle of William of Orange against Spain, told with a good deal of spirit, for children.
- 38 **Smith, Gertrude.** Lovable tales of Janey & Josey & Joe.
For very small children.
- 39 **Steiner, Edward A.** On the trail of the immigrant.
Describes the immigrants in their native countries, their journey here, and characteristics on this side. Very interesting and accurate, from personal study of the author.
- 40 **Vaile, Mrs. Charlotte Marion (White).** Orcutt girls.
The struggle of two sisters to gain an education.
- 41 **Villari, Luigi.** Italian life in town and country.
Quite as interesting an account of the everyday life of the people as the former numbers of this series.

Gates Memorial Library, White River Junction, Vt.



GATES MEMORIAL LIBRARY, WHITE RIVER JUNCTION

- 42 Wells, Carolyn.** Parody anthology.
A collection of poems that will amuse young and old.
- 43 White, Eliza Orne.** Borrowed sister.
Sequel to *An only child*.
- 44 White, Stewart Edward.** Mountains.
The adventures of three men who explore the mountains in California.
- 45 Wiggin, Mrs. Kate Douglas.** New chronicles of Rebecca.
More short stories of that popular little girl from Sunnybrook farm.

SPECIAL COLLECTION ON ART.

- BRÉAL, AUGUSTE.** Rembrandt.
- BRINTON, SELWYN.** Correggio.
- COFFIN, C. H.** American masters of sculpture.
" How to study pictures.
- CHESTERTON, G. K.** G. F. Watts.
- CLEMENT, Mrs. C. E.** Artists of the nineteenth century.
- CUST, LIONEL.** Van Dyck
- DOREMUS, S. D.** Great lights in painting and sculpture.
- GOODYEAR, W. H.** Roman and mediæval art.
- HAMLIN, A. D. F.** History of architecture.
- HARTMANN, SADAKICHI.** History of American art.
- HORTON, C. W.** Architecture for general students.
- HOYT, D. L.** World's painters and their pictures.
- HURLL, E. M.** Greek sculpture.
" Madonna in art.
" Murillo.
" Van Dyck.
- KEYSOR, J. E.** Great artists.
- KNACKFUSS, H.** Raphael.
- LUBKE, WILHELM.** History of Art.
- MARQUAND, ALLAN.** History of sculpture.
- MAUCLAIR, CAMILLE.** French impressionists.
- MOORE, T. S.** Correggio.
- PATER, WALTER.** Renaissance.
- REINACH, S.** Story of art throughout the ages.
- SELINCOURT, BASIL DE.** Giotto.
- SMITH, C. S.** Barbizon days.
- STEINMANN, ERNST.** Botticelli.
- STEVENSON, R. A. M.** Velasquez.
- SYMONDS, J. A.** Renaissance in Italy.
- WITT, R. C.** How to look at pictures.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR TRAVELING LIBRARY.

To the Board of Library Commissioners for the State of Vermont :

We, the undersigned, citizens of.....
hereby apply for the loan of a traveling library, as provided by
Sec. 1201.

We name....., whom
we know to be a responsible person, to act for us as secretary, and
to have in charge said library and the correspondence relating
thereto.

We hereby agree to return said traveling library within six
months from its reception, to pay all transportation charges to
and from....., and to make good any losses or
injuries beyond reasonable wear, however accruing, while said
library is in our custody.

.....this.....day
of..... A. D. 190.....

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H. H. BAXTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY, RUTLAND

HOW A TOWN MAY ESTABLISH A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Insert in the warning for town meeting the following articles:

1. To see if the town will elect a board of five library trustees and instruct such board to make application to the State Board of Library Commissioners for state aid.

2. To see what sum, if any, the town will appropriate for the maintenance of a free public library.

If the grand list of the town is less than \$2500, the sum must not be less than \$15.

If the grand list is more than \$2500, yet less than \$10,000, the sum to be appropriated must be not less than \$25.

If the grand list is \$10,000 or more, the sum to be raised must be not less than \$50. Many towns show their desire for civic improvement by raising much higher sums than the state requires of them.

The state of Vermont recognizes that a Free Public Library is necessary to the education of its children and the development of its people in the same manner as the free school.

A free public library owned and controlled by the town has a fixed income, and is not dependent upon spasmodic attempts to increase its funds. It can be made of practical use in connection with the schools, or in the education of those who have been unable to have a full school course, and a pleasure, profit and aid to the entire community.

In many of our larger towns and cities private enterprises and benevolences have supplied advantages and opportunities which have tempted ambitious and intelligent scholars from towns and homes which could ill afford to spare them. No town in Vermont can afford to have the name of depriving its boys and girls of the culture and inspiration to be found in a free library. No town can afford to be reported to the state and country as too indifferent to co-operate with the state for the benefit of its own children.

The commissioners suggest that the Board of Library Trustees be elected in accordance with the provisions of Section 1214, Statutes of Vermont, and be, as therein set forth, five in number and elected when first chosen, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years.

Upon application to the Library Commissioners a blank will be furnished entitled "Application of the Board of Library Trustees," to which should be attached the blank filled out by the town clerk.

These blanks are as follows:

No. 1.

(Attach to this the certificate of the Town Clerk.)

STATE OF VERMONT.

APPLICATION OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
FOR STATE AID.

.....Vt.,190

To the Board of Library Commissioners :

The Library Trustees of the town of.....
Vermont, elected as specified in the attached certificate of the Town Clerk, hereby make application, under the provisions of Sec. 1195, Public Statutes of Vermont, for the appropriation of \$100 therein made by the State.

.....
Chairman Board of Trustees.

No. 2.

To be attached to the
Application of the Trustees.

STATE OF VERMONT.

CERTIFICATE OF TOWN CLERK.

.....Vt.,190

To the Board of Library Commissioners :

I,.....Town Clerk of.....Vermont,
hereby certify that at the annual town meeting of said town held

on the first Tuesday of March, 190 , the following named persons were elected a board of library trustees for the terms specified:

(Name.)

(Term for which elected.)

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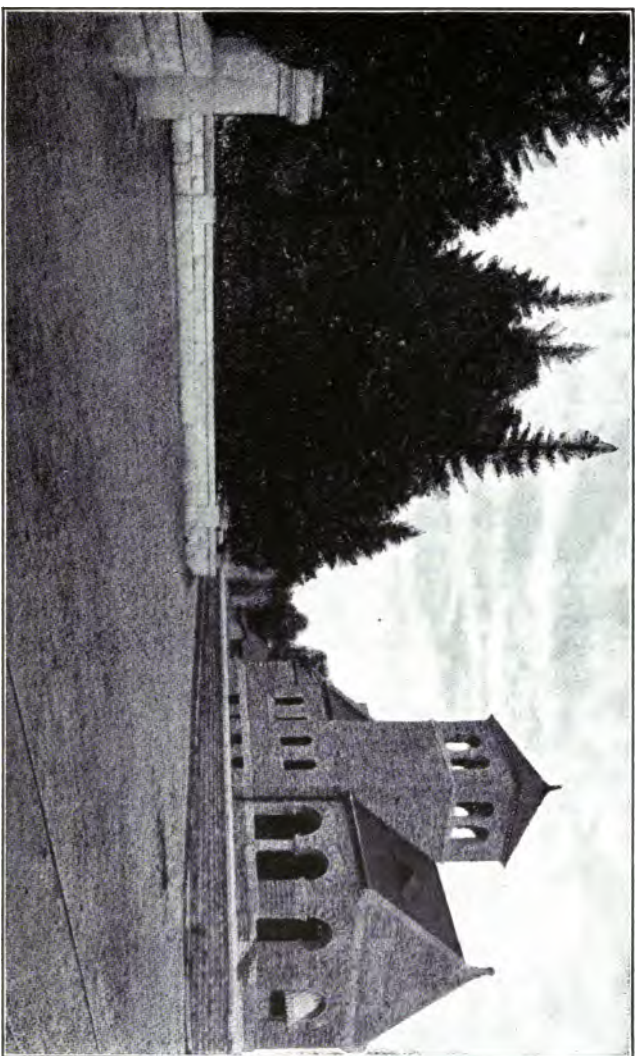
That at said March meeting the town voted to instruct such board to make application to the State Board of Library Commissioners as provided by Sec. 1199, Public Statutes of Vermont.

That at said meeting the town further voted an appropriation for the maintenace of its free public library in the sum of..... dollars; and that the grand list of said town when said vote was taken was.....

I further certify that the town of.....has no free public library owned or controlled thereby, and that the action hereinbefore set forth was taken pursuant to the following articles inserted in the warning for said town meeting:

Town Clerk of.....Vermont.

The Commissioners will then send the trustees the following blank to be filled out and returned to them.



H. H. BAXTER MEMORIAL LIBRARY, RUTLAND

STATE OF VERMONT.

FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION.

To the Chairman of the Board of Library Trustees :

....., Vermont.

DEAR SIR :

Section 1199, Public Statutes of Vermont, reads in part as follows:

"No town shall be entitled to the benefits of this act until such town has elected a board of library trustees and *until such trustees have provided in a manner satisfactory to the State Board for the care, custody and distribution of the books furnished in accordance with this act.*"

While it is the duty of the State Board to eventually decide upon the books to be furnished each town, they would nevertheless be pleased to receive voluntary suggestions from the trustees in each town as to the character of books preferred, or even to receive lists of books considered desirable, if any trustees wish to submit them. Since, however, the responsibility for the selection to be made rests upon the State Board alone they cannot promise to follow suggestions made by trustees further than their judgment.

In view of the obligation resting upon the Board of Library Commissioners, as provided by Sec. 1199, Public Statutes of Vermont, you are requested to make answer to the following questions:

1. What provision has been made for a library room and where is it located?

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2. Who is to be the librarian, if determined, and what, if any, compensation is to be paid?

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3. What days and hours is the library to be kept open for the loan and return of books?

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4. Are any books already available or soon to be turned over to the town as a part of the free public library? If so, please furnish the secretary of the State Board with a complete list of such books, that they may not be duplicated.

5. Is there any library already established in the town? If so, please state the approximate number of books in it, its condition, and in a general way the terms upon which books are loaned.

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6. By what name is your library to be known?

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To be signed by Chairman of Board of Library Trustees.

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ABBOTT MEMORIAL LIBRARY, POMFRET

LAWS OF VERMONT RELATING TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

APPOINTMENT. VACANCIES.

SEC. 1193. A board of five persons, residents of the state, one of whom shall be appointed annually by the governor and whose term of office shall be five years, shall constitute a state board of library commissioners. The governor shall designate the chairman of and fill all vacancies in said board.

ADVICE GIVEN BY.

SEC. 1194. The librarian or trustees of a free public library may ask said board for advice in regard to the selection and cataloguing of books and any other matters pertaining to the maintenance or administration of a library, and said board shall give such advice in regard to such matters as it shall find practicable. Said board shall biennially make a report of its doings to the general assembly, at the expense of the state.

PROVIDE BOOKS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

SEC. 1195. Said board shall, upon the application of the board of library trustees of a town without a free public library owned and controlled by such town, expend a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for books for such town. Such books shall be used by said trustees for the purpose of establishing a free public library, and the state board of library commissioners shall select and purchase books so provided.

COMPENSATION. EXPENDITURES.

SEC. 1196. No member of the state board of library commissioners, except its secretary, shall receive compensation. Said board may expend not exceeding fourteen hundred dollars, annually, for necessary expenses in the discharge of its duties, including expenses for the transportation of books and exclusive of the necessary expense of making its report to the general assembly. Not more than five hundred dollars of the above sum may be used for the employment and expenses of a secretary to be chosen by the board and who may be a member thereof. The auditor of accounts shall draw an order in favor of said board for sums expended by said board under the provisions of this chapter.

POWERS.

SEC. 1197. The state board of library commissioners shall have power to make necessary rules for its government and for the care of the libraries furnished by the state.

TOWNS.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SEC. 1198 A town voting to instruct its board of library trustees to make application to the state board of library commissioners under the third preceding section shall annually appropriate for the maintenance of its free public library a sum not less than fifty dollars, if its grand list is ten thousand dollars or over, or a sum not less than twenty-five dollars, if its grand list is less than



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ten thousand dollars, and not less than twenty-five hundred dollars, or a sum not less than fifteen dollars, if its grand list is less than twenty-five hundred dollars; and the selectmen of such town shall annually, in the month of September, draw an order on the treasurer of the town payable to such trustees for the amount of such appropriation, without the town having voted such appropriation.

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

SEC. 1199. No town shall be entitled to the benefits of the first and fourth preceding sections, unless such town has elected a board of library trustees and voted to instruct such board to make

application to the state board of library commissioners, and said trustees have provided, in a manner satisfactory to the state board of library commissioners, for the care, custody and distribution of the books furnished in accordance with this chapter. The provisions of sections one thousand two hundred and thirteen, one thousand two hundred and fourteen, and one thousand two hundred and fifteen shall apply to the election of boards of library trustees under this section and to said trustees when so elected.

TOWNS ACCEPTING CONDITIONS TO RECEIVE BENEFITS.

SEC. 1200. When a town has accepted the provisions of the preceding section, the state board of library commissioners shall so certify to the auditor of accounts, who shall draw an order payable to said board for one hundred dollars, to be expended in the purchase of books as provided in the fifth preceding section.

TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

APPROPRIATION.

SEC. 1201. The state board of library commissioners may expend a sum not exceeding five hundred dollars, annually, for the purchase of books for traveling libraries and in their necessary equipment, and may also expend a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars, annually, for clerical work in cataloguing and preparing such books for circulation and for other necessary work in connection therewith. Sums expended under the provisions of this section shall be certified by the chairman of said board to the auditor of accounts, who shall draw an order for the payment of the same.

MANAGEMENT.

SEC. 1202. Said board shall have the full management and control of traveling libraries and make necessary rules and regulation for the use and government of the same.

USE.

SEC. 1203. Three or more citizens may organize a library association, and on compliance with the rules, regulations and requirements of the state board of library commissioners, shall, in the discretion of said board, be entitled to the use of traveling libraries without charge other than for expense of transportation of the same. A local library, literary or other club, agricultural or other

society, college, secondary, university extension center, study circle or other association shall, on the same terms and in the discretion of the commissioners, have the use of such traveling libraries.



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INCORPORATION OF LIBRARIES.

WHEN PROPERTY IS GIVEN TO TRUSTEES.

SEC. 1204. Trustees to whom real or personal property is devised, bequeathed, granted, conveyed or donated, for the foundation and establishment of a free public library, may, unless other-

wise provided by the devisor, grantor or donor of such property, in order to promote the better establishment, maintenance, and management of such library, cause a corporation to be formed under the provisions of the three following sections.

HOW EFFECTED.

SEC. 1205. Said trustees may make, sign and acknowledge, and file in the office of the secretary of state, a statement in writing setting forth the intent of said trustees to form a corporation, a copy of the will or instrument by which the endowment of such library is provided, the name adopted for the corporation, which shall not be the name of a corporation already existing, and the town or village in which such library and the principal place of business of such corporation will be located, the number of managers who may be denominated trustees, managers or directors of such corporation, and the names of the trustees, managers or directors who are to constitute the original board and who shall hold office until their successors are respectively elected and qualified as provided in the second following section.

SAME.

SEC. 1206. The secretary of state shall forthwith, upon the filing of such statement in his office, issue to the incorporators under his hand and seal, a certificate of which such statement shall be a part, declaring that the organization of the corporation is perfected. The incorporators shall forthwith cause such certificate to be recorded in the office of the county clerk of the county in which such library is to be located; and thereupon the corporation shall be deemed fully organized and may proceed to carry out its corporate purposes, and receive by conveyance from the trustees the property provided for the endowment of such library, and may hold the same in whatever form it may have been received or conveyed by said trustees, until such form shall be changed by action of such corporation.

POWERS OF CORPORATION.

SEC. 1207. An organization formed under the two preceding sections shall be a body corporate and politic, to be known by the name stated in its certificate or articles of incorporation; and, by such corporate name, it shall have and possess the ordinary rights and incidents of a corporation, and shall be capable of taking,

holding and disposing of real and personal estate for the purposes of its organization. The provisions of a will, deed or other instrument by which an endowment of a library is provided and accepted by the trustees, managers, or directors shall, as to such endowment, be a part of the organic and fundamental law of such corporation.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 1208. The trustees, managers or directors of such a corporation shall compose its members and shall not be more than nine nor less than five in number. Said trustees, managers, or directors shall elect the officers of the corporation from their number and have control and management of the affairs and property of the same, may accept donations, and, in their discretion, hold the same in the form in which they are given, for the purposes of science, literature and art germane to the objects and purposes of such corporation. They may fill, by election, subject to the approval of the chief judge of the supreme court, vacancies occurring in their number and may make by-laws for the management of such corporation and library, which by-laws shall set forth the officers of the corporation and define and prescribe their respective duties. They may appoint and employ from time to time agents and employees, as they may deem necessary for the efficient administration and conduct of the library and the other affairs of such corporation. Whenever a trustee, manager or director is elected to fill a vacancy, a certificate, under the seal of the corporation, giving the name of the person elected, shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk, where the articles of incorporation are recorded.

EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION.

SEC. 1209. Whenever the instrument providing the endowment declares that the institution shall be a free public library, such library and other property of the corporation shall be forever exempt from taxation.

REPORT.

SEC. 1210. The trustees, managers or directors of such a corporation shall annually, in the month of January, report to the governor the condition of the library and of the funds and other property of the corporation, showing its assets and investments in detail for the year ending on the thirty-first day of December, preceding.

TOWN AND VILLAGE LIBRARIES.

ESTABLISHMENT.

SEC. 1211. A town or incorporated village may establish and maintain public libraries, with or without branches for the use of its inhabitants, and may annually contract with a library or



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library association incorporated under the general law or by a special act of the general assembly, to furnish books to its inhabitants free, and may appropriate money therefor, and may

annually appropriate money for the maintenance, care, increase and support of a library held in trust for such town or incorporated village or the inhabitants thereof.

APPROPRIATION.

SEC. 1212. A town or incorporated village establishing and maintaining a library may appropriate, for suitable rooms and buildings and for the foundation of such a library, a sum not exceeding three dollars for each ratable poll in such town or incorporated village in the preceding year, and may also appropriate annually, for the maintenance, care, and increase thereof, such sum of money as such town or incorporated village may vote at its annual meeting, and may receive, hold and manage a devise, bequest or gift for a public library.

TRUSTEES.

SEC. 1213. A town or incorporated village which has established or shall hereafter establish a public library may elect at its annual meeting a board of five trustees, who shall have full power to manage such public library and to receive, control and manage property which shall come into the hands of such town or incorporated village by gift, purchase, devise or bequest for the use and benefit of such library.

TRUSTEES' TERM OF OFFICE.

SEC. 1214. At the meeting when said trustees are first chosen, they shall be elected for the following terms: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years, and until their respective successors are chosen. Their successors shall be elected for the term of five years, but a person chosen to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the remainder of the unexpired term.

REPORT BY TRUSTEES.

SEC. 1215. Said trustees shall make a report to the annual meeting of the town or incorporated village of the condition of the library and of the management and expenditure of such moneys as have come into their hands.

MONEYS, HOW PAID OUT.

SEC. 1216. Moneys raised for a library shall be paid out by an agent to be appointed by the selectmen of a town or the trustees of an incorporated village, unless library trustees have been elected.

UNION OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS.

SEC. 1217. Two incorporated library associations in the same town may, by a majority vote of the stock of each of such associations, at meetings thereof warned for that purpose, unite and assume the corporate name of either of such associations.

LIBRARIES ENTITLED TO CERTAIN DOCUMENTS.

TOWN LIBRARIES.

SEC. 1218. When a town has established a public library, such town may, at an annual meeting, vote to place in such library a copy of such documents and volumes heretofore received by such town for it or its town clerk's office, as it shall designate, and also a copy of such documents and volumes hereafter to be received from the state, except the Vermont Reports, Vermont Public Documents and other books and documents provided by law to be kept in the town clerk's office, as it shall designate. The ownership of such books shall continue in the town; but their use shall be enjoyed by the library, until such town shall otherwise vote.

BOOKS TO BE DELIVERED BY STATE.

SEC. 1219. The state librarian shall deliver to a town public library that has been voted by its town the use of books owned by such town, such duplicate documents and volumes published or provided by the state, as can, in the judgment of the trustees of the state library, be delivered without prejudice to the state library. Such documents and volumes shall be delivered on application stating what books have already been received from the town, and the property in such documents and volumes shall remain in the state; but their use shall be enjoyed by such public library, until the state librarian is directed by law to demand their return to the state library.

BOOKS TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES NOT ESTABLISHED BY TOWNS.

SEC. 1220. When a public library exists in a town and is not established by it, such town may, at an annual meeting, by a two-

thirds vote, make the provisions named in the second preceding section in respect to use by the library of books owned by the town, apply to such library; and, in case of such vote, the provisions of the preceding section shall apply to such library the same as if it were established and maintained by such town.



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ELIGIBILITY OF WOMEN.

SEC. 3429. A woman twenty-one years of age may be elected or appointed town clerk, town treasurer, and trustee of public

libraries, provided she has resided in such town one year preceding such election or appointment.

SEC. 496. VI. The following property shall be exempt from taxation:

Real and personal estate granted, sequestered or used for public, pious or charitable uses; real and personal estate used by public and private circulating libraries, open to the public and not used for profit; lands leased by towns for educational purposes; and lands owned or leased by colleges, academies or other public schools, or leased by towns for the support of the gospel; and lands and buildings owned and used by towns for the support of the poor therein; but private buildings on such lands shall be set in the list to the owners thereof, and shall not be exempt.

JAIL LIBRARY.

SEC. 6120. Jailers shall receive books given by christian churches and benevolent individuals in their respective counties, for a library for persons confined in jail. The jailer shall enter the names of the donors in a book of record, with the titles of the books, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons. The jailer shall be librarian and shall keep safely the books in the library and distribute them to persons confined in jail, and exchange the same from time to time; but he shall not deliver books to a person who in his opinion will destroy or misuse them.

APPROPRIATION FOR STATE PRISON LIBRARY.

SEC. 6083. The board of penal institutions shall appropriate fifty dollars annually, to be expended by the superintendent of the state prison under its direction in the purchase of books to be added to the library of the state prison.

BOOKS AND PAPERS BELONGING TO LIBRARIES.

SEC. 5855. A person who wilfully and maliciously writes upon or injures a book, plate, picture, engraving or statue belonging to a law, town or public library shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars, nor less than five dollars.

ONE OF THE LISTS OF BOOKS FURNISHED WITH THE \$100 APPROPRIATED BY THE STATE.

[This town already had a collection of books, so that the list was varied to suit their needs.]

ART.

FAY, AMY. Musical studies in Germany.
HAMLIN, A. D. F. History of architecture.
REINACH, S. Story of art.

BIOGRAPHY.

COLVIN, SYDNEY. Letters of R. L. Stevenson.
JONES, F. A. Life of Thomas A. Edison.
PARTON, JAMES. Captains of industry. (2 v.)
PRYOR, MRS. R. C. Reminiscences of peace and war.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS.

BAKER, R. S. Boys' book of inventions.
BURROUGHS, JOHN. Squirrels and other fur bearers.
CHAMBERS, R. W. Outdoorland.
CHISHOLM, LUCY. Golden staircase.
DE LA RAMEE, LOUISE. Nürnberg stove.
DU CHAILLU, P. B. Land of the long night.
FULLER, C. M. Alley cats' kitten.
HODGES, GEORGE. When the King came.
IRVING, F. B. Six girls.
KELLY, L. E. Three-hundred things a bright girl can do.
KIMBALL, M. I. Vermont for young Vermonters.
LANG, ANDREW. Blue fairy book.
NESBIT, E. Would-be-goods.
PAGE, T. N. Two little confederates.
PEARY, MRS. J. D. Snow baby.
PIERSON, C. D. Among the meadow people.
ST. NICHOLAS. Colonial stories for children.
SPYRI, JOHANNA. Heidi.
STODDARD, W. O. Little Smoke.
STODDARD, W. O. Talking leaves.
TRUE, J. P. Iron star.
WALKER, M. C. Lady Holly-hock and her friends.
WILSON, S. S. Myths of the red children.

FICTION.

ANDREWS, M. S. Perfect tribute.
BROWN, ALICE. Rose Macleod.
BURNETT, MRS. F. H. Making of a marchioness.
CONRAD STEPHEN. Second Mrs. Jim.
CUTTING, M. S. Little stories of married life.
DASKAM, J. D. Middle aged love stories.

DELAND, MRS. M. W. Old Chester tales.
 DEMORGAN, WILLIAM. Alice-for-short.
 DUNCAN, NORMAN. Cruise of the shining light.
 ELIOT, GEORGE. Middlemarch.
 HENDERSON, C. H. John Percyfield.
 HILL, MARION, Pettison twins.
 HOWELLS, W. D. Son of Royal Langbrith.
 HUGO, VICTOR. Les Miserables.
 MONTRESOR, F. F. The one who looked on.
 PECK, THEODORA. Hester of the Grants.
 REED, MYRTLE. Lavender and old lace.
 RICE, A. H. Lovey Mary.
 ROBINSON, R. E. Danvis folks.
 THOMPSON, D. P. Rangers.

LITERATURE.

BROOKS, PHILLIPS. Essays and addresses, literary and social.
 GULICK, L. H. Efficient life.
 HAY, JOHN. Addresses.
 REPPLIER, AGNES. Book of famous verse.
 ROOSEVELT, THEODORE. Strenuous life.
 WAGNER, CHARLES. Simple life.

SCIENCE.

GIBSON, W. H. Sharp eyes.
 GIFFORD, J. C. Practical forestry.
 KEELER, H. L. Our native trees.
 PETERSON, M. G. How to know the wild fruits.
 REXFORD, E. E. Four seasons in a garden.

TRAVEL.

AUSTIN, MARY. Santa Lucia.
 BACON, E. M. Connecticut river.
 DE AMICIS, EDMONDO. Holland and its people.
 DODD, A. B. Cathedral days.
 DRUMMOND, HENRY. Tropical Africa.
 JOHNSON, CLIFTON. Land of the heather.
 LUMMIS, C. F. Some strange corners of our country.
 LYNCH, HANNAH. French life in town and country.
 PENFIELD, F. C. East of Suez.
 ROBERTS, GEORGE. Historic towns in the Connecticut valley.
 SMITH, F. H. Gondola days.

USEFUL ART.

DAVIDS, MRS. ELEANOR. Note book of an adopted mother.
 DODD, MRS. HELEN. Healthful farm house.
 EARLE, A. M. Child life in colonial days.
 HOLT, EMILY. Cyclopedia of household economy.

JOHNSON, CLIFTON. Old time schools and school books.

O'CONNOR, W. D. Heroes of the storm.

RICHARDSON, D. Long day.

SHAW, MRS. C. S. W. Text book of nursing.

LIBRARY NOTES.

Bakersfield.—In 1906 a Library Association was formed, and money raised by entertainments for the purchase of books for a library. This, with efforts made by the teachers of Brigham Academy, so aroused the village that a public meeting was held the night before town meeting in March, 1907, and the day following the town voted the necessary requirements for state aid, which was given, and the Town Library was established.

Barre.—The beautiful new Aldrich Library building is completed, and the books have been recataloged by the card system, and moved in. The old library room has been closed for several months, that the cataloging might proceed without interruption.

The new building is two stories high and faces 72 feet on Washington street. The depth is 61.8 feet. The entrance on Washington street is largely of granite, with granite pillars. There are granite pilaster bases and caps, granite architraves, while the sills and the water tables are of the same material. The trustees have endeavored to get a design which shall be attractive but not gaudy.

Inside the building is a model of convenience. Three floors practically are adapted for library purposes, as the light basement, besides containing the boiler room has a storage room, a storage and unpacking room under the stack room, two toilet rooms, and entrance hall and another room, 24 feet six inches by 31 feet and four inches in size, which can be easily adapted to nearly any use.

The entrance to the building leads into the entrance hall, which contains a double staircase to the upper story. Leading from this room is the delivery hall, 18 by 20 feet, and just in the rear of this is the stack room, running to the roof and capable of holding three tiers of books. At this point it may be well to state that the capacity of the building is 40,000 volumes. The stack room measures 16 by 42 feet. On either end of the stack room is a small room for the librarian's purposes.

On the right of the entrance is the main reading room, measuring 24 feet six inches by 31 feet four inches. On the other side of the building is a juvenile room of identically the same size, fitted up with oak shelves on two sides.

An ascent to the second story leads directly into an art gallery hall, 18 by 26 feet in dimensions. On the right of this is a hall which has been named Aldrich hall, in memory of the donor. This and the entrance hall can be thrown together as a lecture room. In addition, there are two reference rooms, each of ample size and fitted with book-lifts from the

basement. Thus it will be seen that a building commodious for Barre's needs for many years will be provided.

It is finished in quartered oak, and the walls frescoed in shades of green. Cost about \$40,000, and \$5,000 of the original fund is to be used for the purchase of books.

Bennington Center.—In November, 1821, the building now known as the Old Academy Library was erected for school purposes. Its interesting history as an academy must be passed over, but by 1897 time and climatic changes had so weakened the once firm foundation that it was not considered safe for occupancy. Then some of the ladies conceived the idea of utilizing part of it for a public library. With this in view the building was repaired and made secure, and the lower room substantially fitted up for library purposes. Its pretty furnishings, together with rare views seen from the windows, make it a most attractive gathering-place. The basement, where once was kept the old hand fire engine, has been put in fine condition, and has many conveniences so essential when entertain-



OLD ACADEMY LIBRARY, BENNINGTON CENTER

ments are given,—heating apparatus, running water, etc. For all these improvements a considerable sum of money was required, the major part of which has been generously and willingly given by Miss Mary Sanford, daughter of the late Samuel B. Sanford. The library has already a fair assortment of books, some of which have been purchased, and others that have been donated. These have been catalogued according to the Dewey system, and the most approved methods put in operation. Librarian, Mrs. John V. Merrill.

Brattleboro.—This is one of the libraries that has tried Sunday opening, and reports it a success, the number of readers increasing each week.

Brookfield.—At the town meeting in March, 1908, it was voted to establish a free public library. This town has the honor of having the oldest library in the state, its Library Association having been in active existence for 117 years, with the peculiar custom of opening to the public for the loan and return of books but four times each year.

Burlington.—*Fletcher Carnegie Library.*—The death of the late librarian, Miss Sarah C. Hagar, has saddened all connected with the library. A brief sketch of her life and work will be found in another part of the Report. Mr. George Dana Smith of the Watkinson Library, Hartford, Conn., has been appointed to fill the vacancy, and will begin work on September 1.

Cabot.—Mrs. Lucretia McLean Kimball of Washington, D. C., has given to the town \$10,000 to build, equip and endow a library. The conditions are that the town shall furnish the site and put in the foundation. The wishes of the donor are that the building shall be of brick or stone. It will have reading and stack rooms, also a small kitchen, dining room and parlor, which may be used by clubs and society organizations. If it seems best to make the building two stories high, there may be a public hall.

Mrs. Kimball was born in Peacham, Vt., and lived in Cabot when a young girl, and has ever shown a kindly interest in her childhood home. The building will be erected in memory of her father and mother.

Cavendish.—The first week in November, 1907, a Library Association was formed in Proctorsville, consisting of several ladies from that village and Cavendish. President, Miss Fanny B. Fletcher; vice presidents, Mrs. Don C. Pollard and Miss Bacon; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Julia Rugg. Since that time much has been accomplished. The books of the Fletcher Free Library in both branches have been accessioned, and nearly cataloged, money has been raised by entertainments, and many gifts of books and furniture received from the members and others. This library is a portion of the one left to the town of Cavendish in 1869 by Judge Richard Fletcher of Boston, and contains some valuable old books.

Colchester.—*Winooski.*—At the village meeting held April 10th, 1907, it was unanimously voted to appropriate the sum of \$500 for the establishment of a free public library for the village. Miss Elsie Brown of Fern Hill, Burlington, then gave to the village the collection of 500 volumes formerly used in the Girls' Club there, and the State added its hundred dollars' worth of books. Other friends gave books and pictures, and the library was opened in two rooms in a new block in the central part of the village. The following extract from the local paper speaks for itself: "The new library is instantly popular. It is open every night, and the young men of the village are availing themselves of the opportunity of dropping in and reading their favorite magazine, book or newspaper.

Nothing has happened in Winooski for a long time that has met with so much favor as the free library."

Danby.—The S. L. Griffith Memorial Library was dedicated March 26, 1908. This is a beautiful building, containing reading room, children's room, stack room and provision for collections of curios. Flowers and plants for decoration are furnished by Mrs. S. L. Griffith, and a large amount of books have recently been purchased.

The outside of the building is finished in blue rock faced marble up to the water table, and above the water table with gray pressed brick trimmed with gray terra cotta, and the roof is covered with red slate. The reading room, children's room, distributing room and vestibule are finished in selected curly birch and the stack room in North Carolina pine. The floor in the vestibule is Puritan Sanitary with border and base; the floors in the reading room and stack room are covered with cork-carpeting. In the basement there is a gentlemen's reading room with entrance from outside, as well as stairs leading up to the main rooms. The building is heated with hot air furnace, and lighted with gas and has its own gas plant in the basement. On the main floor there are two toilet-rooms and a cloak-room for the children's room.

The stack room, two reading rooms and distributing room are all connected with open archways, there being no doors, so that the Librarian sitting at her desk has full oversight of all the main floor. All reference books are kept in the adult reading room, and the children's books are all on shelves in their room, so the children have no occasion to go into the stack room.

Mr. S. L. Griffith left in his will \$14,000 for the erection and furnishing of the building, and gave the lot on which the building stands, \$5,000 for the purchase of the first lot of books and an endowment of \$32,000 for the maintenance and purchase of new books each year.

There are two red brick fireplaces on the main floor, one in each of the reading rooms; the furniture is finished in light-colored quartered oak made by the Library Bureau of Boston.

Fair Haven.—The new Carnegie Library has been finished and the books re-catalogued and moved in. No effort has been spared to make it an attractive and up-to-date library. The children's reading room was furnished by the late George A. Vail, also fifty dollars worth of children's books, and Mr. George B. Jermyn gave \$100 toward furnishing the general reading room.

Fairlee.—The library building problem was solved here by buying one of the unused district school-houses and moving it a mile and a half into the village, where it has been repaired, finished with new wood-work and bookcases, steel ceiling and walls, and with its interior of new paint in soft green shades, it will be one of our most attractive small libraries. Total cost about \$500.

Franklin.—In 1906 the town of Franklin received a bequest from the will of Mrs. Elvira Haston of North Brookfield, Mass., of about \$12,000



HASTON LIBRARY, FRANKLIN

for the purpose of erecting a library building. This has been done, and a commodious brick building is now ready for occupancy. The room on the right of the main entrance on the first floor is the library and reading room, at the left of the entrance is the Selectmen's room, and back of this room is the Town Clerk's office and vault. The second floor is a historical room; the basement room at the right of the entrance is finished, also a toilet-room; the rest is the furnace room. The first and second floors are North Carolina pine stained dark, filled and varnished with dead varnish. The basement room is finished in the natural wood. A gasolene lighting plant is furnished by the Green Mountain Light and Power Company of Burlington. There is a fireplace in the reading room in the center of the outside wall, also one each in the corners of the Town Clerk's and Selectmen's rooms. The stairs at the right of entrance to the library room lead to the historical room, and under these stairs are the stairs to the basement from the lobby. Librarian, C. W. Powell.

Hartford.—*White River Junction.*—The George W. Gates Memorial Library was given by Amos Barnes of Boston to the Loyal Club. In the spring of 1907 the building was completed and occupied. The library had existed for many years, but not continuously, as it was supported by public subscription, and was sometimes closed for lack of a room, funds, or a librarian. In 1891 the Loyal Club, composed wholly of ladies, was organized with three objects in view—to assist the local G. A. R. Post, to carry on the library, and for village improvement. At first it rented two rooms for the library, but became incorporated in 1906 that it might receive and control the Gates Library, which they now support entirely, having never received any aid from the State, town or village, though citizens of the village have generously helped the club, and Mrs. N. B. Safford has given \$1000 towards its support. Mrs. Charlotte Safford Wallace, who was librarian and the "efficient, faithful and beloved" president of the club for 17 years, until her death, June 4, 1908, purchased all the supplies for the building, and gave all the furniture for stack and reading room upstairs.

The main floor contains the stack and reading rooms. The basement is a club room with kitchen, supplied with range, hot and cold water, closets and drawers to hold the dishes and table furnishings owned by the club.

There is a small room adjoining the kitchen with bulk-head and furnace and connections with the coal and wood cellar. There is also a toilet room, and a large room that answers for club meetings, suppers, etc. This contains an open fireplace, and is capable of seating 40 people. Opening into the club room, at the side entrance, there is a flight of stone steps leading to a tiny hall with a cloak room of good size to the right.

Upstairs, at the main entrance, there is a small hall, then entrance into the main hall, with stained glass window. This is the stack room, cut off from the hall by a railing, desk, card desk, etc., and has an open fireplace. The stacks themselves are in alcoves with five small windows. The reading room is beyond, on the same side, with pleasant windows

north and west. The building is of brick, lighted by electricity and warmed by a furnace, using either wood or coal. Architect, Mr. Louis Newton of Hartford. There is a good lawn, which later may be used for lawn parties, and good concrete walk.

The club now has at interest \$1000, which they have earned themselves, and nearly 3000 volumes in the library. Five of the ladies take turns in staying at the library, and great assistance has been rendered to the library in their work by Miss Ella Hazen.

Isle La Motte.—The stone building has been remodeled by the Ladies' Club for a library and now is in use, a tasteful and pretty home for the books.

Johnson.—The Ladies' Club has been working to raise money for a library building for several years, and now have a sufficient sum with which to begin work.

Lunenburg.—A new catalog is in process of preparation, and the librarian is earnestly endeavoring to keep the library up-to-date in all its methods.

Lyndon.—*Lyndonville.*—The new Cobleigh Library is in constant use, many improvements have been made, and it is much appreciated by the people. Mrs. Duston, who had rendered faithful service so long, has resigned, and Miss Elizabeth Hills from the Forbes Library, Northampton, Mass., has taken her place as librarian.

Manchester.—Miss Clara M. Chamberlin, librarian of the Mark Skinner library at Manchester and vice-president of the State Library Association for 1907, has accepted a position in the library at Portland, Oregon.

Middlebury.—*College Library.*—Since the death of Dr. Charles Edward Prentiss, librarian, Mr. Herbert Boyce has been appointed to the position.

Middlebury.—*Sheldon Art Museum and Library.*—Henry L. Sheldon, the well-known antiquarian, founder and librarian of the Sheldon Museum and Historical Society, died at his home, Feb. 28, 1907. He began collecting in 1875, and in 1882 received from the state a charter for the Sheldon Art Museum. He leaves the Museum and all its property to be permanently continued under a board of trustees.

Montpelier.—The Kellogg-Hubbard Library was opened nine Sundays on trial, with an attendance of 481. During this time the janitor and one of the trustees were in charge. At the annual meeting the trustees voted to continue to keep open, and Mr. English, the janitor, who is very efficient, was engaged to be in attendance during the hours from one till six in the afternoon. Not merely the reading room, but the whole library is kept open.

Pomfret.—The Abbott Memorial Library has been unusually successful in reaching the outlying districts through the school children. One day during each term the children are given a half-holiday that they may visit the library in a body, when they are especially entertained by children's books and other features. After this, sets of 15 books each are circulated and exchanged in the six different schools in town, and finally a reception was given at the library where the townspeople were invited to meet the district superintendent of schools and his wife. This, with many other devices, full accounts of which may be found in the Commission's Quarterly Bulletin, has made the library exceedingly popular and accessible to all. Librarian, Mrs. Abba Doten Chamberlin.

Richmond.—This town had the misfortune to lose its library by fire in the spring of 1908.

St. Albans.—On December 22, 1907, the library was opened on Sunday for the first time, and the experiment was found successful. Most of the readers are boys between the ages of ten and eighteen, but frequently there are men.

Sheldon.—The town library has just been recatalogued by the trustees. The Dewey classification was used, but a printed instead of a card catalog made. This was so that the lists might be distributed throughout the town and give all an equal chance of selection.

Shoreham.—As soon as the books were well settled in the new Platt memorial building, the books were classified by the Dewey system, and a card catalog made by Dr. Mary Mixer Platt.

Thetford.—Two libraries, the Latham and the Peabody, are situated in this town, yet neither were free till March, 1908, when the town voted to establish a free town library and raised \$25 for the purpose. State aid was given, and an arrangement made by which the books could be housed in the Latham library and the Latham books rented to the town and loaned free to its inhabitants. This has proved very satisfactory to all.

Vergennes.—The city was generously remembered in the will of the late William G. Bixby by a bequest of about \$150,000 for the establishment and maintenance of a public library. Provision is made for the erection of a building, and work on it is soon to be begun.

Westfield.—*Hitchcock Memorial Library.*—The traveler who journeys through the beautiful valley of the upper Missisquoi with its blue skies, green hills, and peaceful river, will come to a pleasant village in the quiet town of Westfield. Just as he enters the village, coming from the south, he will notice on the left-hand of the main street an attractive building with an inscription in gilt letters on background of black over the porch, that reads as follows:

HITCHCOCK
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Aaron C. Hitchcock, a prosperous farmer and financier, was born near the spot in 1823. He passed his entire life here on his ancestral acres, dying in 1900. He was a man of intelligence and public spirit. Having buried two sons in their early manhood, he contemplated for years doing something for the young people of his town. In October, 1898, in response to a warning issued by the selectmen, the citizens of the town convened in public meeting to act on a proposition to be submitted by Mr. Hitchcock. He proposed to give to the town ten thousand dollars to be used, first: For the erection of a building according to plans and specifications to be submitted by him, on land to be deeded by him



HITCHCOCK LIBRARY, WESTFIELD

to the town. Second: The sum remaining after the erection of this building was to be divided into two parts. One-half of it was to be used to fit up and procure specimens for a museum of natural history. The remainder was to be invested as a permanent fund, the income from which was to be used to defray one-half the expense of keeping the building in repair, and the remainder of the income, if any, to procure additional specimens for the museum. The town voted to accept the offer made by Mr. Hitchcock.

In the spring of 1899, Mr. Hitchcock turned the money over to the town, and the same season the building was erected.

It stands on a spacious lot fronting eight rods on the street and running ten rods back from the street. The building which is of wood, and ends to the street, is two stories, thirty by forty-two feet, with a tower for the clock and a basement for the furnace and wood cellar. There is a porch over the double doors of the front entrance. The building is painted white with trimmings in a light brown.

The visitor enters first a vestibule which is twelve feet wide and extends across the front end of the building. At each end of this vestibule are stairs leading to the second floor. Passing from the porch through the vestibule the visitor enters the library. This is a room about thirty feet square with alcoves on the north side for the books. In this room the librarian has a table. As one enters the room he beholds, opposite him, suspended from the rail of the gallery, an enlarged picture of Mr. Hitchcock. Though Mr. Hitchcock designed this room only for books, yet the south side of it not being required for that purpose at present, is used for specimens.

The second floor is used exclusively for the museum. The center of the floor between the two stories is left open so that the visitor can look down into the book room as from a large gallery. The building is finished in hard wood and with a fine quality of workmanship. The building cost about three thousand dollars at the time when it was erected, material being less expensive than at present.

The library, which numbers about 750 volumes, comprises works of history, travels, adventure, fiction, etc. These are loaned without charge to all citizens of the town. Mr. Hitchcock made no provision for the purchase of books, though he contributed about eighty volumes from his own library. The building is open on Saturday afternoon and evening.

The museum is a very fine one for a small town to possess. Some of the specimens were purchased expressly for this museum by Prof. G. H. Perkins of the University of Vermont. Professor Perkins has been here twice to arrange the specimens. There is a fine collection of corals, a collection of Vermont marbles and granites. There are other specimens of minerals, a collection of birds, of butterflies, of shells, a bear, a deer, a wolf, an eagle that measures seven feet from tip to tip. There is a beaver scene. There are two muskrat scenes, one representing the winter, and the other the summer home, natural as life. The muskrat scenes alone cost \$600. There are other specimens which space will not permit the writer to enumerate. There is still a considerable sum of money now in the hands of the trustees which is available for use in purchasing additional specimens.

Mr. E. S. Miller, who has been the efficient and obliging librarian during the past six years, keeps things in excellent condition. He is much interested in both the library and the museum, and is pleased at any time to admit visitors from out of town who wish to inspect either or both of them.

M. W. FARMAN, by request of E. S. MILLER.

Sarah C. Hagar.

As Miss Hagar was such a perfect type of librarian, who is a true and faithful servant in the highest sense of the term, and presented an example which should be recognized and appreciated in the history of Vermont libraries, a brief sketch of her life and work by an intimate and sympathetic friend is appropriate in this report.

Miss Sarah C. Hagar, who was for 23 years librarian of the Fletcher Free Library, Burlington, passed quietly away at her home on College street at eleven o'clock the morning of June 24th.

She was born in Shelburne, December 3, 1827, the eldest daughter of Luther M. and Clarissa (Pearson) Hagar, who moved to Burlington with their family in 1840 into the house which has remained ever since the family home.



MISS SARAH C. HAGAR
Librarian Fletcher Free Library 1885—1908

For two years previous to the removal of the family here, and for several years afterward, she attended the Burlington Female Seminary under Miss Green and Mrs. Paine. After her school days were over, she went South to teach in a family, as so many girls did, in that day. She taught in Ohio, spent a year in Montreal learning French, taught French and the piano for some years in Burlington, and went South a second time shortly before the Civil war.

In 1866 she went to Lebanon, N. H., where she was governess in the family of Col. Hiram Berdan, and after two years accompanied the family abroad, and was with them for 12 years of extensive travel and of residence in St. Petersburg, Berlin, Paris, and other European cities.

During these years she gained a wide acquaintance with people and with the art and literature of Europe, as well as with the life of the different countries she visited. She returned home in 1881 and shortly afterward took a position as governess in the family of F. E. Church, the artist, at his home on the Hudson, where she remained two or three years. One of her early pupils became the wife of F. Marion Crawford, and the friendship was always kept up. Miss Hagar's only vacation, aside from library meetings, being when she went to New York to see Mrs. Crawford, who had come over to see "In the Palace of the King."

In January, 1885, she was appointed librarian of the Fletcher Free Library, a position she has filled continuously ever since, and for which she was eminently fitted by her natural qualities and by the varied advantages and experiences of previous years.

She brought to this work an enthusiasm and love for the best in books and human nature that has given her high rank among those of her own profession, not merely in her own state but outside. She was well known by and a personal friend of many of the leading librarians of the country. Thirteen times she met with the American Library Association at its annual meeting, the last time in 1906 at Narragansett Pier, R. I.

She entered the work before the days of the technically trained librarian in library schools, yet so great was her industry and so acute her perception that she kept up with all the modern movements in that direction, familiarizing herself with all the improvements in system and method down to the most minute details.

While she appreciated modern methods, her own were so much quicker that she used them. When Granger's Index to poetry and recitations was published four years ago, Miss Hagar, instead of turning back to the key to find the meaning of the abbreviations and symbols, committed the whole list, several octavo pages, to memory, because the other way took so much time. To the last her acquaintance with French, German, Italian and other European languages did not diminish, and she was free to lend her aid to those acquiring them.

Her wide knowledge of books, her passion for helping and teaching, her wonderful memory, and her remarkable physical endurance enabled her to do a work for her community which cannot be estimated. She never spared herself; she was the guide and friend of everybody who could be induced to use the library, and her greatest ambition was to increase the circulation of good books, and the usefulness of the library to the public. For years she kept the library open all day and every night in the week (except Sunday) when the regular hours were only certain afternoons and evenings. And the one shadow of her last few weeks of life was that the library was closed on Sunday and three evenings because of her failing health.

On Washington's birthday she remained at the library all day, not even going out for meals, because as she said "someone might come in today who would have to work other days." From that time her strength seemed to be slowly failing, but she did not give up work and was hardly induced even to shorten her hours of labor. On April 23rd she attended her last gathering of librarians, at Brandon, and from that time on she was eagerly planning for the annual meeting of the Vermont Library Association, which was to hold its opening reception in her library, June 29.

Less than three weeks before her death she found herself unable to go to the library. After that she steadily lost ground, but the end came quite suddenly, leaving a sense of personal loss not only to many librarians whom she held dear, but to the people of Burlington of all sorts, conditions and ages, who knew that however lonely or unfortunate their lives, there would always be awaiting them one helpful, interested friend at the library.

The Vermont Library Association, of which Miss Hagar was the founder, passed the following resolutions at its annual meeting, June 30th, at Burlington.

"The Vermont Library Association hereby expresses officially and for its members individually its sorrow and deep sense of loss in the death of Miss Sarah C. Hagar. She was our first, and for 10 years continuously our president; for 23 years librarian of the largest public library in the state. In position she was a pioneer and leader, in her unassuming relationship to us, our friend and sympathizer.

We acknowledge our indebtedness to her for her noble and self-forgetful example in work, for her broad and high ideals, and for assistance given ungrudgingly and without condescension. We rejoice that she was permitted such a long life of usefulness in which she delighted, and strength for work until almost the end."



CARNEGIE LIBRARY, FAIR HAVEN

GIFTS TO LIBRARIES MADE, OR THAT HAVE BECOME AVAILABLE SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE REPORT OF 1906.

LIBRARY.	DONATION.	DONOR.
Addison.....	13 vols.....	{Manley Marshall, Mrs. D. C. Smith.
Andover.....	\$ 13.50	Entertainments
Athens.....	111 vols.....	Friends.
Bakersfield.....	Books.....	Friends.
Barre.....	4 vols.....	Miss Charlotte Nichols.
North Bennington.....	Cash.....	Entertainments.
Bennington Center.....	\$50,000.00.....	Leonard F. Aldrich.
Bethel.....	100.00.....	Mrs. J. G. McCullough
Bradford.....	Books.....	Friends.
Brandon.....	\$ 40.00	Subscriptions and entertain- ments.
	Books.....	Subscriptions and entertain- ments.
	\$ 500.00	Mr. A. G. Farr.
	150.00	Mrs. Talbot.
	5.00	Mrs. L. G. Case.
	5.00	Rev. J. J. Boyle
	5.00	Mrs. A. W. Rollins.
	75.00	Friends.
	150.00	Entertainments.
Brattleboro.....	Painting—Prodigal Son,	Jane Hunt.
Brookfield.....	\$ 200.00	Mrs. Alice W. Thayer.
Burlington.....	5,00 0.00	
Library of U. V. M.....		
Cabot.....	10,000.00 for bld'g....	Mrs. Lucretia McLean Kim- ball.
Cambridge.....	Set of encyclopedias.....	Mrs. C. M. Stone.
Crescendo Club.....	Books.....	Friends.
	\$ 65.00	Literary Society.
Cambridge Library.....	\$ 41.00	Entertainments.
Castleton.....	Gifts.....	Friends.
	\$ 100.00	Friends.
Cavendish.....	Magazines.....	Mrs. Thomas Allen.
	Cash, books, supplies...	Library Association.
	\$ 42.44	Library Association.
Charlotte.....	25.00	Joseph Winterbotham.
	5.00	Miss Genieve Winterbotham.
	300.00	Entertainments.
Chelsea.....	Books.....	Friends.
Colchester.....	415 vols.....	Miss Elsie Brown.
Winooski Library.....	2 pictures.....	Miss Augusta Leclair.
	1 picture.....	Mr. C. S. Lord.
	Books.....	Miss Cora B. Drew.
	Books.....	H. F. Wolcott.
East Corinth.....	Books and expenses.....	{Mrs. Fenno. Messrs. Blake.
Cornwall.....	Cash.....	Grange.
Craftsbury.....	Books.....	Friends.
Danby.....	\$52,000.00.....	Estate of Hon. Silas L. Griffith.
	14,000.00 of this for building.....	
Danville.....	Books.....	Mrs. Pope.
Dorset.....	Clock, Web. dictionary }	Mrs. Marcia B. Fuller.
	6 vols., \$12.50 }	Miss C. DeNottbeck.
	25.00	Entertainments.
	90.00	
Enosburg.....	\$ 200.00 in 1907 }	Hon. Olin Merrill.
" Public Library.....	200.00 " 1908 }	M. P. Perley.
" H. School Library	96.00	Friends.
Essex.....	Books.....	George B. Jormyn.
Fair Haven.....	\$ 100.00	
	33 vols., \$50.00 and furniture for chil- dren's reading room }	George A. Vail.
Fairlee.....	28 vols.....	Friends
	\$ 269.00	Subscriptions.
Franklin.....	\$12,000.00 for library building.....	Mrs. E. S. Haston
Grafton.....	Books.....	Friends.
Greensboro.....	Books.....	Friends.
Groton.....	\$ 5.00	Judge J. R. Darling.
Guildhall.....	Magazines.....	Friends
	Clock.....	Entertainment.
	\$ 12 00	Grange.



CARNEGIE LIBRARY, FAIR HAVEN—INTERIOR

LIBRARY.	DONATION	DONOR.
Guilford.....	12 vols.....	Mrs. Ellen Richm. nd.
Hardwick.....	\$12,068.65.....	Mrs. M. M. Judevine.
Hartford.....	Library building.....	Estate of Amos Barnes.
Gates Mem. Library.....	\$ 1,000.00.....	Mrs. N. B. Safford.
	1,000.00.....	Loyal Club.
Hinesburg.....	71 v. magazines.....	Mrs. Kate B. Russell.
	40 v. ".....	Mrs. Mary Wilson.
Isle La Motte.....	Books.....	Hon. H. W. Hill.
	Books.....	Mrs. William Donald.
	Books.....	Mrs. Roebach.
	Books.....	Mrs. L. W. Cook.
Jericho.....	Books.....	Friends.
Londonderry.....	\$50.00 annually.....	Friend.
S. Londonderry Library.....	Books.....	Mrs. Earnest Palmer.
Lunenburg.....	Books, map of Vt., Atlas.	F. D. Hale.
Lyndon.....	\$ 450.00.....	Woman's Club.
	Pictures and other	
	works of art.....	Theodore N. Vail.
	\$ 500.00.....	Miss Elizabeth Skinner.
Manchester.....		
Mark Skinner Library.....		
Middlebury.....		
High School Library.....	Books.....	
Milton.....		
Graded School Library.....	Books.....	
Montpelier.....		
Kellogg-Hubbard Library..	Books and periodicals..	
Vt. State Library.....	Books.....	
Montpelier Seminary L.	Books.....	
Newbury.....	\$ 5,300.00.....	(Mrs. Nathaniel Stevens.
Tenney Memorial Library..		(A. T. White.
	1,054.00.....	M. J. Tenney.
	125.00.....	F. J. Doe.
	75.00.....	C. C. Doe.
	50 00.....	H. W. Bayley.
Newfane.....	Pays all expenses.....	Mrs. P. C. Moore.
Northfield.....	Books.....	G. W. Brown.
Brown public.....	Books.....	Prof. Johnson.
	Books.....	Friends.
	Set of bound Harpers....	Dr. George Nichols and wife.
Carnegie L. of Norwich U..	300 vols.....	Mrs. Snow.
	100 ".....	Estate of Hon. Geo. Nichols.
	Nat. Cyc. of Am. Biog....	Mr. Stoughton.
Norwich.....	\$ 200.00.....	Miss S. L. Burton.
Orange.....	Books.....	
Orwell.....	\$ 16.55.....	Entertainments.
Peru.....	10.00.....	Entertainments.
Pittsford.....	350.00.....	Dr. Walker.
	136 vols.....	Friends.
	\$ 55 00.....	Subscriptions.
Proctor.....	Endowment of \$10.-	
	000.00.....	Redfield Proctor.
Randolph.....	\$ 100.00.....	Estate of Mrs. A. B. Chandler.
Reading.....	Books.....	Friends.
	\$ 10.00.....	Friend.
	45.63.....	Concert.
Ripton.....	Books.....	D. J. Foster.
Rochester.....	Books.....	Miss Jessie Morgan.
	Books.....	Mrs. Jennie Morrow.
	Books.....	E. P. Jose.
Rockingham.....	Books and papers.....	
Rutland.....		
" Free Library.....	Books and money.....	Literary Societies.
Baxter Memorial.....	Expenses.....	H. H. Baxter.
Ryegate.....	20 vols.....	Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Powers.
		Mrs. W. Wright.
		Mrs. Mary Nelson.
		Mrs. W. J. Lyman.
St. Albans—city.....	\$ 5,000.00.....	F. J. Houghton.
" High School—town	Books.....	Rev. Gortler.
	Books.....	Mrs. J. G. Norton.
St. Johnsbury.....	27 vols.....	T. W. B. Clark.
Fairbanks Museum of Natu-		
ral Science.....		
Shelburne Public.....	\$ 50.00.....	
" High School.....	50.00.....	Mrs. W. S. Webb.



BLOOD MEMORIAL LIBRARY, BROWNSVILLE

LIBRARY	DONATION.	DONOR.
Shorcham.....	\$ 8.50.....	Universalist Society.
Stockbridge, Belcher L.....	Books.....	
Strafford.....	Painting building.....	James S. Morrill.
	Adding fuel closet.....	Miss Louise Swan.
Swanton.....	\$ 250.00.....	Friends.
Thetford, Latham Library..	Books.....	Friends.
Underhill.....	Books.....	Book Club.
	Rent and expenses.....	Book Club.
	\$ 100.00.....	Estate of Wm. G. Bixby.
Vergennes, City Library....	150,000.00.....	Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Lee.
Vernon.....	30 vols.....	Estate of J. W. Gregory.
Waitsfield.....	\$ 100.00.....	
	28 vols.....	
	9 ".....	
Waterville.....	Magazines.....	Miss Ruth Childs.
West Fairlee.....	Magazines.....	Miss Gertrude Udall.
Westfield.....	Books.....	
	\$ 19.00.....	Entertainments.
Weston.....	Books.....	Friends.
Whitingham.....	Books.....	
Williamstown.....	\$ 10.00.....	Major L. A. Abbott.
	15.00.....	Mrs. Susan E. Somerville.
Williston.....	Books.....	Friends.
Windham.....	\$ 15.00.....	Friends.
Windsor.....	50.00.....	Sherman Everts.
	60.00.....	Maxwell Everts.
	60.00.....	Mrs. C. C. Beaman.
	Books.....	

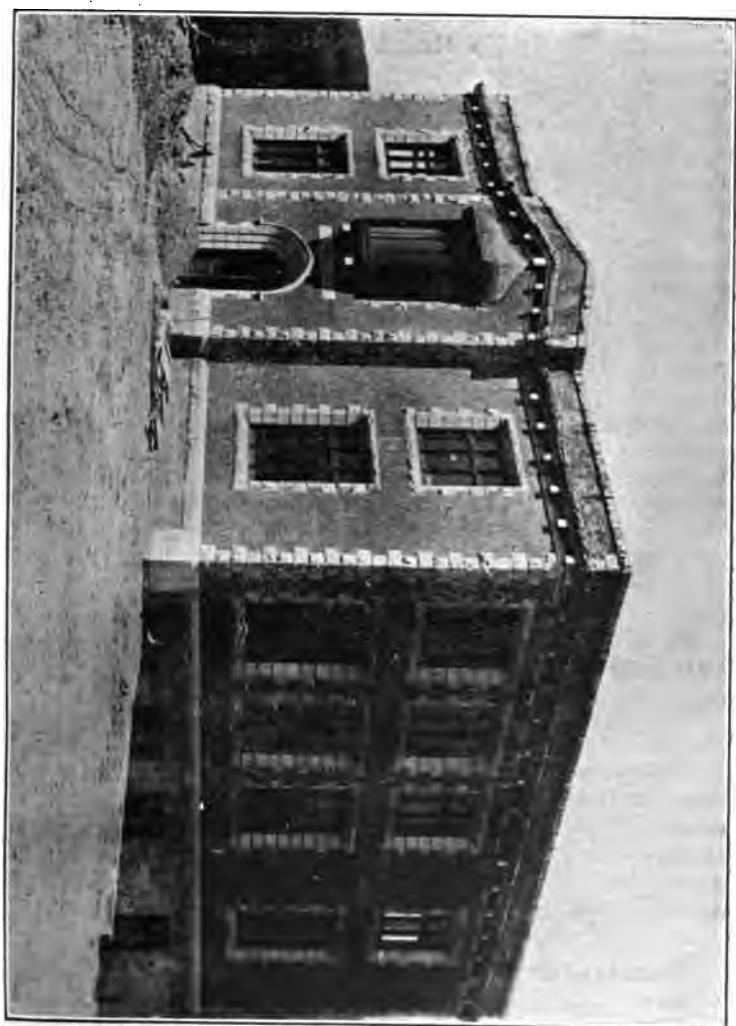
TOWNS CLASSIFIED AS TO LIBRARIES.

The towns are classified according to their free library privileges as follows:

CLASS 1.

Towns which have libraries owned and controlled by the town and free for circulation to all the people. (All towns in this list excepting those marked † have organized their libraries with State Aid.)

Addison,	Hartland,	Sheffield,
Alburg,	Highgate,	Shelburne,
Andover,	Hinesburg,	Sheldon,
Athens,	Hyde Park,	Shoreham,
Bakersfield,	Isle La Motte,	South Hero,
Barnard,	Jericho,	Stamford,
Barnet,	Johnson,	Stockbridge,
Barton,	Kirby,	† Stowe,
Benson,	Landgrove,	† Strafford,
Braintree,	Lincoln,	Sunderland,
† Brattleboro,	Lunenburg,	Sutton,
Brighton,	Lyndon,	Swanton,
Bristol,	Marshfield,	Thetford,
Brookfield,	Middletown Springs,	Townshend,
Burke,	Milton,	Underhill,
Cabot,	Montgomery,	Vergennes,
Cambridge,	Moretown,	Vernon,
Canaan,	New Haven,	Vershire,



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Castleton,	Newport,	Victory,
†Cavendish,	Northfield,	Waitsfield,
†Chelsea,	Orange,	Walden,
†Chester,	Orwell,	Wardsboro,
Chittenden,	Pawlet,	Warren,
Concord,	Peru,	Washington,
Cornwall,	Pittsfield,	Waterbury,
Enosburg,	Pomfret,	Waterford,
Essex,	Poultney,	Waterville,
†Fair Haven,	Putney,	West Fairlee,
Fairlee,	Randolph,	Westfield,
Fairfax,	Reading,	Westford,
Fairfield,	Readsboro,	West Haven,
Fletcher,	†Richford,	Westmore,
Franklin,	†Richmond,	Weston,
Georgia,	Ripton,	West Windsor,
Grafton,	Rochester,	Weybridge,
Granby,	†Rockingham,	Wheelock,
Granville,	Royalton,	Whitingham,
Greensboro,	Ryegate,	Williston,
Groton,	Salisbury,	Wilmington,
Guildhall,	†St. Albans,	Windham,
†Guilford,	§ St. Albans (Town of),	Winooski,
Hardwick,	Sharon,	Woodbury,—126
With state aid, 113.		Without state aid, 13.

CLASS 2.

Towns which have free libraries in which the town has some representation in the management.

Bennington,	Burlington,	Springfield,—3.
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CLASS 3.

Towns in which there are free libraries to which the town appropriates money, but is not represented in the management.

Bethel,	Newbury,	Wallingford,
Brandon,	Pittsford,	Weathersfield,
Maidstone,	Proctor,	West Rutland,
Morristown,	Rutland,	Windsor,—12.

CLASS 4.

Towns in which there are free libraries which have no connection with the town.

Charleston,	Derby,	St. Johnsbury,
Charlotte,	Hartford,	Ludlow,
Craftsbury,	Montpelier,	Woodstock,—11.
Danby,	Newfane,	

§Has free use of public library in St. Albans (City) and makes annual appropriation for its support.

CLASS 5.

*Towns which have no free library. (Towns marked * contain libraries which are not free.)*

Albany,	Glover,	Plainfield,
* Arlington,	Goshen,	* Plymouth,
Baltimore,	* Grand Isle,	Pownal,
Barre (Town of),	Halifax,	Roxbury,
Belvidere,	Hancock,	Rupert,
Berkshire,	Holland,	Rutland (Town of),
Berlin,	Hubbardton,	St. George,
Bloomfield,	Huntington,	Sandgate,
Bolton,	Ira,	Searsburg,
* Bradford,	Irasburg,	* Shaftsbury,
Bridgewater,	Jamaica,	Sherburne,
Bridport,	Jay,	Shrewsbury,
Brookline,	Leicester,	Somerset,
Brownington,	Lemington,	South Burlington,
Brunswick,	* Londonderry,	Stannard,
* Calais,	Lowell,	Starksboro,
* Clarendon,	* Manchester,	Stratton,
* Corinth,	Marlboro,	Sudbury,
Coventry,	Mendon,	Tinmouth,
* Danville,	* Middlebury,	Topsham,
* Dorset,	Middlesex,	Troy,
Dover,	Monkton,	Tunbridge,
Dummerston,	Morgan,	Waltham,
Duxbury,	Mt. Holly,	Wells,
East Haven,	Mt. Tabor,	* Westminster,
East Montpelier,	* Newark,	* Whiting,
Eden,	North Hero,	* Williamstown.
Elmore,	Norton,	Winhall,
Fayston,	* Norwich,	Wolcott,
Ferrisburg,	Panton,	Woodford,
Glastenbury,	* Peacham,	Worcester,—93.

Towns without libraries, 74. Towns having libraries which are not free, 19.

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Traveling Library Stations.

Arlington,	Fairfax, Beaver	Rutland,
Arlington, East	Fairfax, Buck Hollow	Ryegate, South
Bakersfield,	Fair Haven,	Stamford,
Bennington,	Fletcher,	Starksboro, 5 stations
Bolton,	Franklin,	Townshend,
Braintree,	Glover,	Wardsboro,
Brandon,	Guilford,	Waterbury,
Calais, East,	Halifax,	Wells,

Cambridge,	Jericho,	Westford,
Charlotte,	Lincoln,	Westford, Cloverdale
Coventry,	Lyndon,	West Haven.
Danville,	Reading,	Westminster,
Danville, Harvey	Richmond,	Windsor.
Dummerston,	Roxbury,	Worcester,—48.
Essex,	Royalton,	

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1895.

Andover Town Library,	Orange Public Library,
Barton Town Library,	Peru Free Public Library,
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Granby, Sunset Library,	Ryegate Free Library,
Groton Public Library,	Sharon Public Library,
Granville Public Library,	Shelburne Free Library,
Hardwick, Hathaway Free Public	Sheldon Town Library,
[Library,	South Hero Library,
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Lyndon Free Public Library,	West Windsor Free Public Library,
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Northfield Free Public Library,	Woodbury Town Library.

1896.

Alburgh Town Library,	Orwell Free Library,
Athens Public Library,	Pomfret Public Library,
Cabot Public Library,	Randolph Public Library,
Concord Library,	South Royalton,
Enosburg Town Library,	Sunderland Town Library,
Fletcher Public Library,	Waitsfield Public Library,
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1897.

Castleton Free Public Library,	Victory Public Library,
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TOWN.	COUNTY.	LIBRARY.	LIBRARIAN.	P. O. ADDRESS.	TABLE OF ESTABLISHMENT.	LIBRARY FREE.	NO. OF VOLUMES.	STATE AID.	LAST ANNUAL CIRCULATION.	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED BY TOWN IN 1908.	ENDOWMENT.	POPULATION.
Addison	Ad.	Addison free public.	Mrs. M. A. Smith.	Vergennes	1902	Yes	410	Yes	...	\$ 25.00	...	861
Albany	Ors.	Albany library association.	M. B. Chaley.	Albany	1880	No	...	No	...	...	...	1,028
Alburgh	Gr.	Alburgh public	Mrs. J. S. Goodfellow.	Alburgh	1880	Yes	450	Yes	370	25.00	...	1,474
Andover	Wt.	Andover town.	Adella E. Stannard.	Simonsville	1886	Yes	1,437	Yes	3652	15.00	...	872
"	"	Peaseville branch.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Arlington	Be.	Circulating	Martha H. Canfield	Arlington	1889	No	350	No	...	...	...	1,193
Athens	Wm.	Athens public.	Josephine S. Hastings.	Cambridgeport.	1906	Yes	402	Yes	...	15.00	...	180
Bakersfield	Fr.	Bakersfield public.	Mrs. W. O. Start.	Bakersfield	1906	Yes	135	Yes	...	25.00	...	1,138
"	"	Brigham Academy.	...	...	1879	Yes	900	No	...	...	...	...
Baldmore.	Wt.	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	56
Barnard	"	Charles B. Danforth.	Mrs. Jennie G. Putnam	Bethel	1903	Yes	1,000	Yes	...	50.00	...	840
Barnet.	Ca.	Barnet public.	Henrietta Willey.	Barnet.	1900	Yes	1,850	Yes	...	100.00	\$ 75.00	1,763
Barre, City of.	W'a	Aldrich public.	Mrs. Louise L. Boyce.	Barre	1872	Yes	6,500	No	...	...	...	8,448
" Town.	"	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,346
Barton	Ors.	Barton town.	Mabel L. Gay	Barton Landing.	1898	Yes	1,782	Yes	4045	200.00	...	2,790
"	"	Barton Landing branch.	Ruth M. Rogers.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
"	"	Barton Academy.	...	...	1891	Yes	2,330	No	...	...	...	...
"	"	Barton Landing high school.	...	...	...	...	350	No	...	...	...	...
Belvidere	La.	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	428
Bennington	Be.	Bennington free.	Mrs. Mary B. Merrill.	Bennington	1865	Yes	7,831	No	12760	800.00	...	8,083
"	"	North Bennington free.	H. S. Wellington.	North Bennington.	1900	Yes	2,350	No	111	200.00	...	...
"	"	Old Academy	Mrs. Caroline R. Merrill.	Bennington Center.	1897	No	...	No	...	100.00	...	...
"	"	Vermont Soldiers Home.	...	Bennington	...	...	200	...	...	...	...	...
Benson	Ru	Benson public.	Mrs. May Wilcox.	Benson	1898	Yes	1,416	Yes	...	100.00	...	844
Berkshire	Fr.	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,326
Berlin	W'a	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,021
Bethel	Wt.	Bethel free.	Mary Gibson.	Bethel	1892	Yes	1,200	No	...	45.00	...	1,611
"	"	East Bethel library association.	Edith E. Fowler.	East Bethel.	1892	Yes	380	No	250	20.00	...	564
Bloomfield.	Es.	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	486
Bolton.	Ch.	No	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,398
Bradford	Ors.	Bradford public.	Mrs. Annie C. Spaulding.	Bradford	1886	No	3,500	No	75.00	...
"	"	Merrill	2,500	No

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Braintree.	Ors.	Braintree public.	Lillian Batcheller.	Braintree.	1908	Yes	300	Yes				776
"	"	Braintree branch.	Mrs. Byron Wakfield.	East Braintree.								
Brandon.	Ru.	Brandon free public.	Mrs F. E. Kingsley.	Brandon.	1901	Yes	4,200	No	7,412	\$ 200.00		2,769
Brattleboro.	Wim.	Brattleboro public.		Brattleboro.	1882	Yes	18,000	No	31,058	2,000.00		6,940
"	"	Brattleboro retreat.	Mary F. Shakhober.				5,000					
"	"	Brattleboro high school.					400					
"	Wlr.	No.										972
Bridgewater.	Ad.	No.										
Brighton.	Es.	Island Pond public.	Leta J. Eaton.	Island Pond.	1895	Yes	1,810	Yes	1,280	100.00		966
Bristol.	Ad.	Bristol free.	Kate I. Stewart.	Bristol.	1902	Yes	1,719	Yes	6,265	300.00		2,925
Brookfield.	Ors.	Brookfield town.	Mrs. Laura A. Hood.	Brookfield.	1791	No	2,600	No		25.00		2,081
"	"	Brookfield high school.		"	1908	Yes	200	No	15			996
Brookline.	Wim.	No.										171
Brownston.	Ors.	No.										
Brunswick.	Es.	Burrington.	Mrs. L. H. Wells.	Burke.	1904	Yes	484	Yes	91	30.00		748
Burke.	Ca.	East Burke ladies lib. asso.	Mrs. E. F. Root.	East Burke.	1876	No	1,205	No				106
"	"	West.	Helen M. Boyce.	West.	1894	Yes	60,000	No	41,552	5,000.00	\$ 500.00 for administration.	1,148
Burlington.	Ch.	Burlington high school.	George D. Smith.	Burlington.	1874	Yes	1,000	No	6,435	100.00	\$1700 bk. fund.	
"	"	Fletcher free.			1903	No	74,798	No				
"	"	University of Vermont.	Edith E. Clarke.	Burlington.	1836	Yes						
Cabot.	Wa.	Cabot town.	W. B. Lance.	Cabot.	1866	Yes	808	Yes	290	50.00		
Calais.	"	Calais circulating.	Mrs. Josephine Converse.	Calais.	1832	No	1,204	No				
"	"	East Calais circulating.	Mrs. Guy Bancroft.	East Calais.	1863	No	1,550	No				
Cambridge.	La.	Cambridge public.	Mrs. J. V. Raymore.	Cambridge.	1901	Yes	412	Yes	802	25.00		
"	"	Wilson memorial.	A. M. Rice.	Jeffersonville.	1904	Yes	745	No	1,077	25.00		1,006
"	"	Treccendo club.	Carrie Carroll.		1900	Yes	583	Yes				
Canaan.	Es.	Canaan public.	Mrs. Frank Rogers.	Canaan.	1876	Yes	600	Yes	583	25.00		934
Candleton.	Ru.	Candleton free.	Miss W. Rice.	Candleton.	1897	Yes	30	Yes				
Cavendish.	Wlr.	Fletcher town.	Edith White.	Cavendish.	1870	Yes	2,830	Yes	6,040	150.00	17.00	2,085
"	"	Fletcher, Focconsville branch.	William Adams.	Focconsville.	1870	Yes	3,384	No		150.00	60.00	1,352
Charleston.	Ors.	Reading circle.	Mrs. Irving E. Wolcott.	West Charleston.	1898	Yes	3,492	No		150.00	60.00	
Charlotte.	Ch.	Breezy Public.			1898	Yes	1,076	No	462			1,025
Chelsea.	Or.	Chelsea public.	Nellie M. Corwin.	Chelsea.	1898	Yes	1,053	No				1,254
"	"	Chelsea Academy.			1892	Yes	224	No	2,107	50.00	6.00	1,070

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Chester	W.Va.	Whiting	C. Ginevra Pollard	Chester	1882	Yes	3,768	No	6,105	\$ 300.00	\$ 235.00	1,775
Chittenden	Ru.	Chittenden free	E. J. Perry	Chittenden	1885	Yes	600	Yes		25.00		681
Clarendon	Ch.	No. Clarendon library asso.	Mrs. J. H. Davis	North Clarendon	1902	No	300	No				915
Colchester	Ch.	Winooski free			1908	Yes	550	Yes		350.00		5,362
"	"	Winooski high school			1888	Yes	300	No				
"	"	King's Daughters			1900	No		No	400			
Concord	Es.	Concord public	Edith M. Brooks	Concord	1886	Yes	900	Yes	1,200	25.00		1,129
Corinth	Ore.	Blake Memorial	Mrs. S. A. Butterfield	East Corinth	1901	No	1,800	No	1,000			978
Corwall	Ad.	Cornwall free	Frank D. Manchester	Middlebury	1905	Yes	648	Yes		40.00		850
Coventry	Ore.	No.										728
Craftsbury	Ru.	Craftsbury academy	Mrs. Laura C. Tupper	North Craftsbury	1889	Yes	3,500	No		75.00		1,261
Danby	Ru.	S. L. Griffith Memorial	Vera H. Griffith	Danby	1908	Yes	5,000	No	2,639		1,900.00	964
Danville	Ca.	Ladies library association	Mrs. Annie T. Currier	Danville	1880	No	2,000	No			50.00	1,628
Derby	Ore.	Haskell free	O. M. Carpenter	Derby Line	1905	Yes	5,158	No			3,000.00	3,374
Dorset	Be.	Dorset public	Hattie Gray	Dorset	1870	No	1,214	No	2,228			1,477
Dover	Wim.	No.										508
Dummerston	"	No.										728
Duxbury	Wa.	No.										778
East Haven	Es.	No.										171
East Montpelier	Wa.	No.										1,081
Eden	La.	No.										788
Elmore	No.	No.										560
Enosburg	Fr.	Enosburg public	Mrs. Clara M. Pratt	Enosburg Falls	1886	Yes	2,192	Yes	5,780	200.00		2,064
"	"	Enosburg Falls high school	E. J. Best	"	1905	No	400	No				
Essex	Ch.	Essex free	Irma M. Beach	Essex Junction	1899	Yes	1,200	Yes		60.00		2,208
"	"	Essex Center branch	E. H. Lawrence	Essex	1888							
Fairfax	Fr.	Fairfax free	Mrs. A. B. Beeman	Fairfax	1900	Yes	500	Yes		25.00		1,388
"	"	Academy					80					
Fairfield	Ru.	Fairfield town	W. H. Fairchild	Fairfield	1901	Yes	370	No		25.00		1,880
Fairlee	Or.	Fair Haven free	Ellen F. Dewey	Fair Haven	1908	Yes	6,000	No	14,418			2,999
Fayston	Wa.	Fairlee public			1898	Yes	467	Yes		25.00		488
Ferrisburg	Fr.	No.										1,619
Fletcher	Fr.	Fletcher free	W. S. Shepardon	Fletcher	1905	Yes	430	Yes		25.00		1,160
Franklin	"	Franklin free	C. W. Powell	Franklin	1896	Yes	700	Yes		25.00		1,160
Georgia	"	Georgia free public	Mrs. Abner Bliss	St. Albans	1896	Yes	871	Yes	494			1,389

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Glastenbury	Be...	No	"	Grafton	1869	Yes	3,200	No		\$ 100.00	\$ 20.00	891
Glover	Ors...	No	"	Grafton	1869	Yes	3,200	No				296
Goshen	Ad...	Grafton public.	Mrs. Thaddeus Park.	Grafton	1896	Yes	265	Yes		15.00		804
Grafton	W'im	Grandby town.	Mrs. Eva L. Wells.	Grandby	1898	Yes	250	Yes				182
Grandby	Es...	Grand Isle library club.	Mrs. Edson Ufford.	Grand Isle	1895	No	433	Yes	23	15.00		861
Grand Isle	Gr...	Greenboro free	Harry Hubbard.	Greenboro	1900	Yes	1,625	Yes		25.00		644
Greenville	Ad...	Greenboro free	Mrs. Frances H. B. Jackson	Greenboro	1895	Yes	737	Yes		50.00		874
Greenboro	Ors...	Groton public	George N. Clark.	Groton	1900	Yes	1,300	No	1,400	40.00		1,049
Groton	Ca...	Gulldhall public	Emeline Hayes.	Gulldhall	1892	Yes			1,142			415
Gulldhall	Es...	Gulldhall free.	Mrs. E. H. Ward.	Gulldford Center.	1897	Yes	977	No	5,645	200.00	323.00	762
Gulldford	W'im	No	"	Hardwick	1895	No	1,198	Yes	4,350	200.00		253
Halifax	Ad...	Jeudevine memorial.	Carrie P. Bridgman.	"	1895	No	450	No				246
Hancock	Ca...	Hathaway free.	"	"	1892	Yes	4,000	No			225.00	3,817
Hardwick	"	School.	Fanny L. Wright.	Hartford	1897	Yes	1,400	No	1,788		1,100.00	
"	W'r...	Hartford public	Mrs. Charles H. Brown.	White River Junc.	1899	Yes	1,231	No	963			
"	"	Gates memorial	Nellie Relhan	Quechee	1894	No	1,000	Yes		25.00		1,340
"	"	Quechee association.	Mrs. H. A. Allen.	Hartland	1898	Yes	242	Yes		25.00		1,960
Hartland	Fr...	Hartland public.	Laura Nelson.	Highgate Center.	1898	Yes	1,000	Yes	1,760			1,216
Highgate	Ors...	Highgate public.	Josephine H. Lyon.	Hinesburg	1902	Yes						888
Hinesburg	Ch...	Hinesburg public.	M. R. France.	"								728
Holland	Ors...	No	"	Hyde Park	1898	Yes	600	No	75	25.00		1,472
Hubbardton	Ru...	No	"	"								350
Huntington	Ch...	Hyde Park free public.	E. G. Page.	"								939
Hyde Park	La...	No	"	Isle La Motte.	1907	Yes	337	Yes	880	15.00		508
Ira	Ru...	No	"	"								900
Isasburg	Ors...	Isle La Motte free public.	Cynthia N. Ritchie.	Jericho	1899	Yes	1,000	Yes		25.00		530
Isle La Motte	Gr...	No	"	"	1895	Yes	1,116	Yes		50.00		1,373
Jamaica	W'im	No	"	"	1897	Yes	3,000	Yes			100.00	587
Jay	Ors...	Jericho public.	Mrs. Jennie W. Hart.	Lyndonville	1895	Yes	698	Yes		15.00		350
Jericho	Ch...	Johnson public	"	"								
Johnson	La...	Normal school	Mrs. Almira S. Graves.	"								
"	Ca...	Kirby free public.	"	"								
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Landgrove.....	Be...	Landgrove public.....	Mrs. Grade M. Harris...	So. Londonderry	1895	Yes	329	Yes	118	\$ 15.00	225
Leicester.....	Es...	No.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	509
Lincolnton.....	Es...	Ladies Aid society.....	Mrs. Bert Siple.....	Lincolnton	1899	Yes	830	Yes	.....	.....	.....	204
Lincolnton.....	Win.	So. Londonderry.....	George Combs.....	No. Londonderry	1820	No	820	No	1,200	25.00	.....	1,152
Londonderry.....	Win.	Vondonderry Ht. asso.	Mrs. F. R. Holt.....	Londonderry.....	1882	No	950	No	.....	.....	.....	981
Lowell.....	Ors.	No.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	982
Ludlow.....	Vir.	Pletcher memorial	Frances M. Pierce.....	Ludlow.....	1901	Yes	8,608	No	17,176	406.09	.....	2,042
Lunenburg.....	Es...	Academy.....	Julia R. White.....	Lunenburg.....	1870	Yes	3,200	Yes	1,980	125.00	.....	988
Lyndon.....	Ca.	Collegiate public.....	Elizabeth C. Hills.....	Lyndonville.....	1896	Yes	3,350	No	11,734	800.00	\$ 150.00	2,958
Malden.....	Es...	Lyndon Institute.....	.....	.....	1893	.....	2,000	.....	.....	.....	.....	206
Manchester.....	Es...	Mark Skinner.....	.....	Manchester.....	1897	No	16,500	No	14,010	.....	1,640.00	1,955
Marbleboro.....	Es...	Burr & Burton Sem.	.....	.....	1826	Yes	1,500	No	.....	.....	.....	448
Marshfield.....	Wim.	No.....	Lydia Bemis.....	Marshfield.....	1899	Yes	3,740	No	.....	100.00	.....	1,034
Mendon.....	Ra.	Jaquith public.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	892
Middlebury.....	Ad.	Ladies' library asso'n	.....	.....	1866	No	6,000	No	.....	.....	.....	3,045
"	Ad.	Middlebury College	Herbert B. Boyce.....	Middlebury.....	1800	Yes	94,000	No	2,424	.....	.....	.....
"	"	Middlebury High Sch'l	.....	.....	1908	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middlesex.....	Wa.	No.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	883
Middletown Spa	Ra.	Middletown Spr'g pub.	Sophronia Greene.....	Middletown Spa.	1899	Yes	1,175	No	1,738	160.00	.....	746
Milton.....	Ch.	Milton public.....	A. D. Bradford.....	Milton.....	1898	Yes	400	Yes	.....	25.00	.....	1,804
Monkton.....	Ad.	Milton graded school.	.....	.....	.....	Yes	200	Yes	.....	.....	.....	912
Montgomery.....	Fr.	Montgomery free	Mrs. C. L. Hutchins.....	Montgomery.....	1895	Yes	633	No	.....	25.00	.....	1,976
Montpelier.....	Wa.	Kellogg-Hubbard.....	Mary H. Macomber.....	Montpelier.....	1897	Yes	19,045	No	40,700	.....	8,189.18	6,266
"	"	Vermont State.....	George W. Wing.....	.....	1825	Yes	48,000	Yes	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	"	High School.....	.....	.....	.....	Yes	850	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	"	Montpelier Seminary.....	Rev. E. A. Bishop.....	Montpelier.....	1868	Yes	15	No	.....	.....	.....	.....
Morrtown.....	"	Moretown free.....	Florence A. Haylett.....	Moretown.....	1905	Yes	154	Yes	549	25.00	.....	902
Morgan.....	Ors.	No.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	510
Morristown.....	La.	Morristown Centenn'l	Frederick G. Fleetwood.....	Morristown.....	1891	Yes	3,000	No	.....	175.00	45.00	2,125
Mt. Holly.....	Ra.	People's Academy.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	550	.....	.....	.....	.....	999
Mt. Tabor.....	"	No.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	494

*Makes appropriation for, and by terms of the bequest, has free use of the Guildhall public library.

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Newark.	Ca.	Ladies' library asso.	Mrs. M. L. Gray.	West Burke.	1897	Yes	5,828	No	5,427	\$ 150.00	500
Newbury.	Or.	Tenney memorial.	Frances M. Atkinson.	Newbury.	1898	No	2,000	No	2,022	.....	.....	2,125
Newbury.	Or.	Wells River lib. asso.	Mrs. Caroline Parker.	Wells River.	1898	Yes	4,000	No	3,280	\$ 135.00	.....	905
Newfane.	Wim.	Moore free.	Mrs. P. C. Moore.	Newfane.	1901	Yes	400	Yes	.....	25.00	.....	1,107
New Haven.	Ad.	New Haven town.	George C. Moore.	New Haven.	1899	Yes	7,860	Yes	22,790	170.00	{Int. on	3,113
Newport.	Or.	Goodrich memorial.	Lizzie M. Sargent.	Newport.	1905	Yes	100	.....	.....	\$32,000	.....	2,855
Northfield.	Wa.	Newport school.	Ellen L. Brown.	Northfield.	1819	Yes	500	No	9,193	500.00	.....	.....
"	"	Brown public.	Bessie Silverthorn.	.....	1881	No	3,000	No	.....	.....	.....	712
North Hero.	Gr.	Northwich University lib	Mrs. Ellen Knight.	Norwich.	1881	Yes	650	Yes	75	150.00	.....	1,803
Norwich.	Wim.	No.	Mrs. Myron F. Davis.	Orange.	1896	Yes	1,538	Yes	3,144	.....	.....	592
Norton.	Or.	Orange public town.	Addie M. Raymond.	Orwell.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,150
Orange.	Ad.	Orwell free.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	409
Orwell.	Ad.	No.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Panton.	"	"	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
"	"	"
Pawlet.	Ru.	Pawlet public.	Orlando Bushce.	Pawlet.	1903	Yes	1,008	Yes	4,000	200.00	.....	1,731
Peacham.	Ca.	Juvenile library asso.	Anna B. Renfrew.	Peacham.	1810	No	2,293	No	.....	.....	90.00	784
Penn.	Be.	Penn free.	Mrs. John Russell.	Pittsfield.	1895	Yes	355	Yes	770	15.00	.....	873
Pittsfield.	Ru.	Pittsfield free town.	William A. Fish.	Pittsfield.	1900	Yes	355	Yes	770	25.00	.....	455
Pittsfield.	Ru.	Maclure	Bertha M. Shaw.	Pittsford.	1797	Yes	6,346	No	9,004	300.42	75.00	1,866
Plainfield.	Wa.	No.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	716
Plymouth.	Wim.	Plymouth Union.	Olivia B. Cranford.	Plymouth Union.	.....	No	275	No	.....	.....	.....	646
Pontefract.	Ca.	Abbott memorial.	Mrs. A. D. Chamberlain.	Pontefract.	1905	Yes	2,564	No	4,860	75.00	.....	777
Pontney.	Ru.	Pontney public.	Adelaide P. Kilborn.	Pontney.	1895	Yes	4,643	Yes	9,978	500.00	.....	3,108
Powall.	Be.	No.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,976
Proctor.	Ru.	Proctor public.	Mary K. Norton.	Proctor.	1881	Yes	6,200	No	11,259	444.50	{Int. of	2,136
"	"	Proctor high school.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Putney.	Wim.	Putney public.	Freda C. Pember.	Putney.	1896	Yes	1,843	Yes	4,593	200.00	18.98	969
Randolph.	Or.	Randolph public.	Alice C. McIntyre.	Randolph.	1893	Yes	6,447	Yes	16,316	800.00	90.00	3,141
"	"	Randolph Normal sch	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Reading.	Wim.	Reading public.	Minnie C. Fay.	Felchville.	1893	Yes	2,300	Yes	1,864	68.59	{Int. on	649
Readsboro.	Be.	Readsboro free.	A. P. Bishop.	Readsboro.	1899	Yes	1,022	Yes	2,700	85.00	{Int. on	1,139
Richford.	Fr.	Arvin A. Brown.	Mrs. A. K. Brown.	Richford.	1895	Yes	2,036	No	6,939	2,421
"	"	Richford high school.

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Richmond	Ch.	Jonas Barber free.	Helen M. Kimball	Richmond	1888	Yes		No		\$ 78.00		1,057
Ripton	Ad.	Ripton free.	Agnes B. Billings	Ripton	1895	Yes	430	Yes		\$ 15.00		1,525
Rochester	Wir.	Rochester free	Achash H. Guernsey	Rochester	1896	Yes	1,500	Yes		200.00		1,250
Rockingham	Wim.	Rockingham free pub.	Mrs. E. J. Plantier	Bellows Falls	1888	Yes	9,000	No	24,528	1,200.00		5,809
"	"	Vermont Academy		Saxton's River	1866	Yes	4,000	No				
Roxbury	Wa.	No	Seymour Culver	Royalton	1896	Yes	950	Yes		40.00		712
Royalton	Wir.	Royalton free public.		Royalton	1896	No	400					1,427
"	"	Royalton academy										
Rupert	Be.	No	Lucy D. Cheney	Rutland	1866	Yes	16,400	No	62,218	2,250.00		868
Rutland	Ru.	Rutland free	Mrs. A. P. Riker	"	1890	Yes	20,000	No				11,499
"	"	H. H. Baxter memorial										
"	"	No										
Rye	Ca.	Rye free public	Mrs. F. M. Powers	Rye	1895	Yes	819	Yes	500	75.00		995
"	"	South Rye free public	Marion J. Hall	South Rye	1901	Yes	340	Yes		75.00		
"	"	Whitehill	Mrs. L. J. Mills	Groton	1865	Yes	350	No				
St. Albans	Fr.	St. Albans free.	Bertha C. Jannison	St. Albans	1865	Yes	6,600	No	15,538	600.00	300.00	6,239
"	"	St. Albans high school				No	600	No			{Income of \$80,000	1,715
St. George	Ch.	No	E. T. Fairbanks	St. Johnsbury	1871	Yes	18,000	No	25,551			90
St. Johnsbury	Ca.	St. Johnsbury Athen'm of Fairbanks Museum of Natural Science.										7,010
"	"	St. Johnsbury Acad'y	Delia I. Griffin	St. Johnsbury	1890	Yes	656	No				
Salisbury	Ad.	Salisbury public	Samuel H. Kelley	West Salisbury	1801	Yes	955	Yes		50.00		692
"	Be.	No										482
Searsburg	"	No										161
Shaftsbury	"	No	Mrs. Fred Eddy	South Shaftsbury	1874	No	850	No				1,857
Sharon	Wir.	Sharon free.	Mrs. B. P. Slack	Sharon	1896	Yes	1,000	No		25.00		709
Sheffield	Ca.	Sheffield free public	Mrs. J. H. Nelson	Sheffield	1905	Yes	188	Yes		15.00		724
Shelburne	Ch.	Shelburne free	Miss H. E. Tracy	Shelburne	1895	Yes	1,836	Yes	2,939	150.00		1,202
"	"	Shelburne high school			1895	Yes	250					
Sheldon	Fr.	Sheldon free public.	W. B. Curtis	Sheldon	1895	Yes	1,708	Yes	2,882	200.00	120.00	1,841
Sherburne	Ru.	No										402
Shoreham	Ad.	Platt memorial	Mrs. F. H. Witherell	Shoreham	1898	Yes	1,817	Yes		100.00		1,198
Shrewsbury	Ru.	No										986
Somerset	Wim.	No										67
So. Burlington	Ca.	No										971
So. Hero	Gr.	So. Hero public.	Julia D. Hall	South Hero	1896	Yes		Yes		25.00		917

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Springfield	Wit.	Springfield town.	Mrs. Kate W. Barney.	Springfield.	1870	Yes	5,985	No	40,745	\$1,100.00	\$ 153.52	3,432
Stamford	Re.	Stamford Public.	Mary C. Morrissey.	No Adams, Mass	1895	Yes	482	Yes	610	15.00		677
Stannard	Ca.	No.	No.	No.	1895	Yes						222
Starksboro	Ad.	No.	No.	No.	1895	Yes						902
Stockbridge	Wit.	Stockbridge free public.	John A. Chedel.	Gayville.	1895	Yes	280	Yes		100.00		822
Stowe	La.	Belcher	Mrs. M. A. Jenney.	Stowe.	1896	Yes	2,984	Yes				1,926
		Stowe free.	Mrs. M. A. Jenney.	Stowe.	1896	Yes	400	No				
		Stowe high school.	Helen D. Moore.	Straford.	1895	Yes	5,000	No				1,000
Straford	Ore.	Harris	Helen D. Moore.	Straford.	1895	Yes						271
Stratton	Wim.	No.	J. M. Gregory.	Arlington.	1898	Yes	350	Yes		15.00		474
Sudbury	Re.	No.	Mrs. L. B. Wilson.	Sutton.	1896	Yes	860	Yes	53	25.00		518
Sunderland	Be.	Sunderland	Mrs. L. B. Wilson.	Sutton.	1896	Yes						694
Sutton	Ca.	Sutton free.	Elizabeth Rogers.	Swanton.	1899	Yes	3,400	Yes	9,150	200.00	Int on	3,745
		Ladies library league.	Elizabeth Rogers.	Swanton.	1899	Yes					\$12,500	1,249
Swanton	Fr.	Swanton free	Mrs. F. B. Gary.	Thetford.	1877	Yes	500	No				
Thetford	Ore.	Swanton public school	Mrs. A. L. Dodge.	Thetford.	1877	Yes	2,800	No				
		Latham memorial	Mrs. A. L. Dodge.	Post Mills.	1896	Yes	5,000	No				404
		Peabody.	Mrs. A. L. Dodge.	Post Mills.	1896	Yes						1,117
Tinmouth	Ra.	No.	Mrs. Ellen M. Plumb.	Townshend.	1899	Yes	450	Yes		50.00		833
Topsham	Ore.	No.	Mrs. Ellen M. Plumb.	Townshend.	1899	Yes						1,467
Townshend	Wim.	Townshend Free	Mrs. Ellen M. Plumb.	Townshend.	1899	Yes						886
Troy	Ore.	No.	Mrs. W. J. Fuller.	Underhill Center	1903	Yes	575	Yes		25.00		1,140
Tunbridge	Ore.	No.	Adella V. Ingham.	Vergennes	1876	No						1,753
Underhill	Ch.	Underhill town	Mrs. W. J. Fuller.	Underhill Center	1903	Yes						
Vergennes	Ad.	Vergennes city.	Adella V. Ingham.	Vergennes	1876	No						
		Vt. Industrial school.	Mrs. E. H. Akley.	Dummer.	1905	Yes	160	No		25.00		578
Vernon	Wim.	Vernon free public.	Mrs. E. H. Akley.	Dummer.	1905	Yes	244	No				641
Vershire	Ore.	Vershire public.	Mrs. L. J. Houston.	Gallop Mills.	1895	Yes	1,000	Yes		15.00		321
Victory	Es.	Victory public.	Mrs. L. J. Houston.	Gallop Mills.	1895	Yes	280	Yes		15.00		760
Waitsfield	Wa.	Waitsfield town.	Mrs. Flora Moriarty.	Waitsfield.	1900	Yes	600	Yes		25.00		764
Walden	Ca.	Walden free public.	George I. Bastman.	South Walden.	1896	Yes	490	Yes				
Wallingford	Ra.	Gilbert Hart.	May L. Congdon.	Wallingford.	1894	Yes	4,000	No	7,567	440.30	100.00	1,575
Wallingford	Ad.	No.	May L. Congdon.	Wallingford.	1894	Yes						267
Wardboro	Wim.	Wardboro free.	Mrs. A. M. Farum.	Wardboro.	1899	Yes				15.00		897
Warren	Wa.	Warren public.	Mrs. M. R. Goodspeed.	Warren.	1900	Yes	267	Yes	55	25.00		820
Washington	Ore.	Washington town.	Mrs. George Downing.	Washington.	1899	Yes	700	Yes		25.00		820
Waterbury	Wa.	Waterbury public.	Mrs. Alice M. Smith.	Waterbury.	1898	Yes	3,000	Yes	5,069	250.00		2,810

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Waterbury...	Wa.	Insane Asylum.										
Waterford...	Ca.	Waterford free public.	Caroline H. Streeter	Waterford	1896	Yes	494	No	700	\$ 25.00		705
Waterville...	La.	Waterville free	Mrs. Anna S. Beard	Waterville	1896	Yes	270	Yes		15.00	\$ 25.00	529
Weathersfield...	Wir.	Proctor	Nellie P. Blanchard	Ascutneyville	1903	Yes	1,190	No	39	150.00		1,089
Wells...	Ru.	No.										606
West Fairlee...	Ore.	Town	Maude A. Bliss	West Fairlee	1905	Yes	800	Yes	90	25.00		581
Westfield...	"	Westfield town.	Emery S. Miller	Westfield	1896	Yes	700	No				646
Westford...	Ch.	Westford town.	F. G. Goodrich	Westford	1895	Yes	732	Yes	46	15.00		444
West Haven...	Ru.	West Haven free	Mrs. S. R. Hitchcock	West Haven	1899	Yes	417	Yes	508	25.00		365
Westminster...	Wir.	Ladies' Aid Society	E. C. Fisher	Westminster W.	1870	Yes	1,084	No	855	72.00		1,96
Westmore...	Ore.	Westmore public.	Mrs D. O. Marston	Westmore	1896	Yes	375	Yes	45		45.00	390
Weston...	Wir.	Weston free.	George H. Coburn	Weston	1898	Yes	1,085	Yes		55.00		756
West Rutland...	Ru.	West Rutland.	Agnes A. Carmody	West Rutland	1881	Yes	1,910	No	6,470			2,914
West Windsor...	Wir.	Mary L. Blood memorial	J. A. Savage	Brownsville	1901	Yes	1,075	Yes		75.00	120.00	518
Weybridge...	Ad.	Cotton free public	Mrs. H. L. Thompson	Middlebury	1899	Yes	1,700	Yes	5,000		250.00	567
Wheelock...	Ca.	Wheelock free public	Mrs. G. L. Geary	Wheelock	1897	Yes	527	Yes	527	15.00		567
Whiting...	Ad.	Whiting Circulating	Mrs. Kate Ketcham	Whiting	1898	No	300	No				381
Whittingham...	Wir.	Whittingham free.	Mrs. Robert M. Chase	Whittingham	1900	Yes	450	Yes	300	25.00		1,042
Williamstown...	Ore.	Williamstown social.	George E. Wilber	Williamstown	1801	No	8,300	No	1,200			1,810
Williston...	Ch.	High school.		Williston			25					1,176
Wilmington...	Wir.	Williston public	Sylvia A. Warren	Williston	1905	Yes	503	Yes		25.00		1,221
Windham...	Wir.	Petrie memorial.	Lettie E. Kingsley	Windham	1896	Yes	1,705	Yes		200.00		356
Windsor...	Wir.	Windham public.	Mrs. Emory H. Jones	Windsor	1895	Yes	700	Yes		15.00		2,119
Winhall...	Be.	Windsor town	Jennie C. Penman	"	1883	Yes	10,000	No	15,486	400.00	525.00	449
Wincoot...	Be.	Vt. State prison	Fred W. Johnson	"		No	1,400	Yes	1,500			1,066
Woodbury...	Wa.	No.		Woodbury	1896	Yes	480	Yes		25.00		862
Woodford...	Wir.	Woodbury public.	Maudie E. Daniels	Woodbury	1898	Yes	150	No				279
Woodstock...	Wir.	Woodford city	Mrs. O. B. Jaquith	Woodstock	1886	Yes	16,018	No	21,779			2,557
Worcester...	Wa.	Norman Williams		Woodstock								636
		No.										

LIST OF PLATES.

Barre, Aldrich Library.

Danby, S. L. Griffith Memorial Library.

"	"	"	"	Stack Room.
"	"	"	"	Children's Room.
"	"	"	"	Reading Room.
"	"	"	"	Librarian's Desk.
"	"	"	"	Curio Case.

Traveling Library, Exterior.

" " Interior.

White River Junction, Gates Memorial Library.

Rutland, H. H. Baxter Memorial Library.

" " Memorial Library.

Pomfret, Abbott Memorial Library, in Winter.

"	"	"	"	in Summer.
"	"	"	"	Stack Room.
"	"	"	"	Picture Exhibit.
"	"	"	"	Reading Room

Bennington Center, Old Academy Library.

Franklin, Haston Library.

Westfield, Hitchcock Memorial Library.

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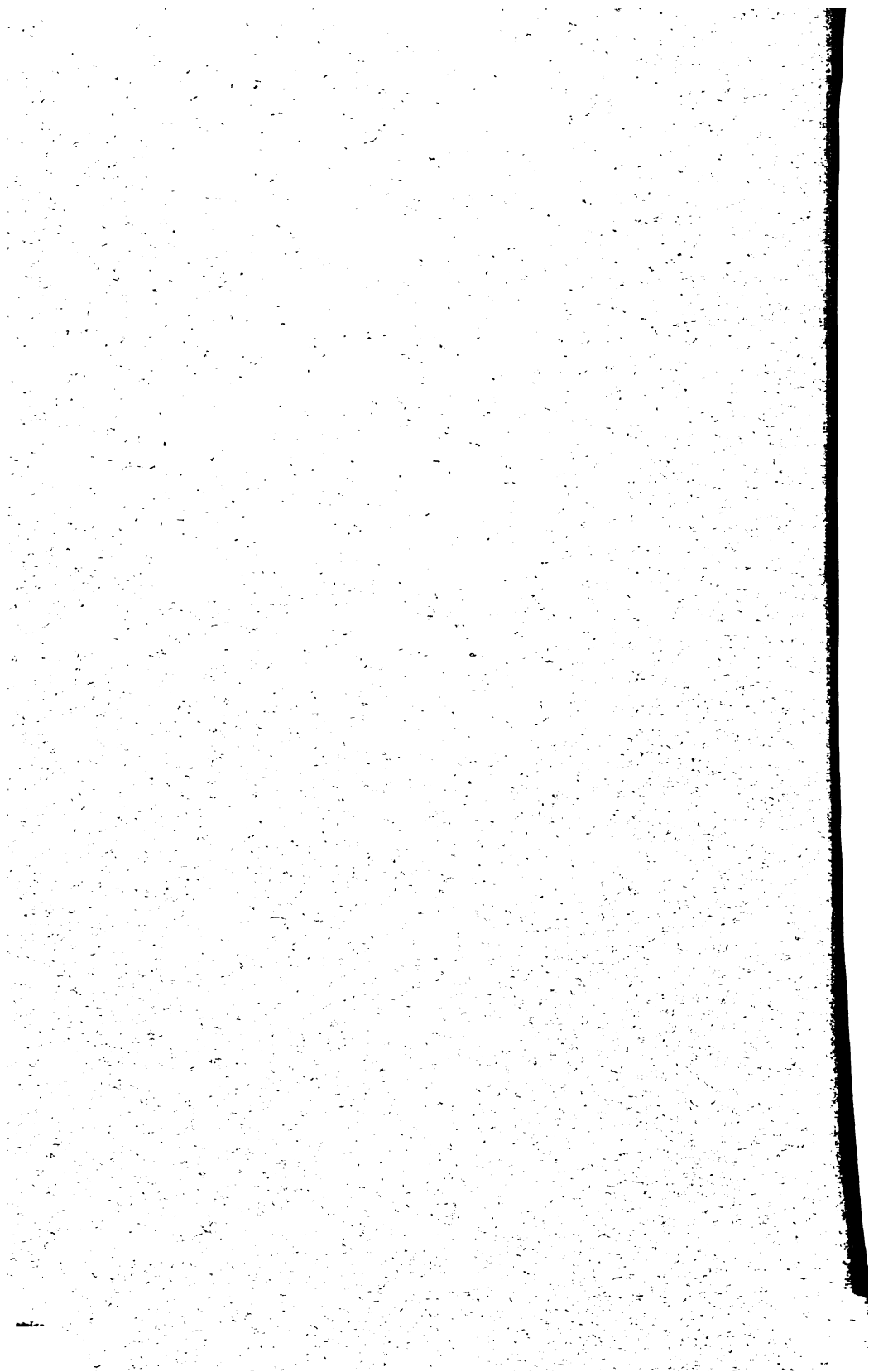
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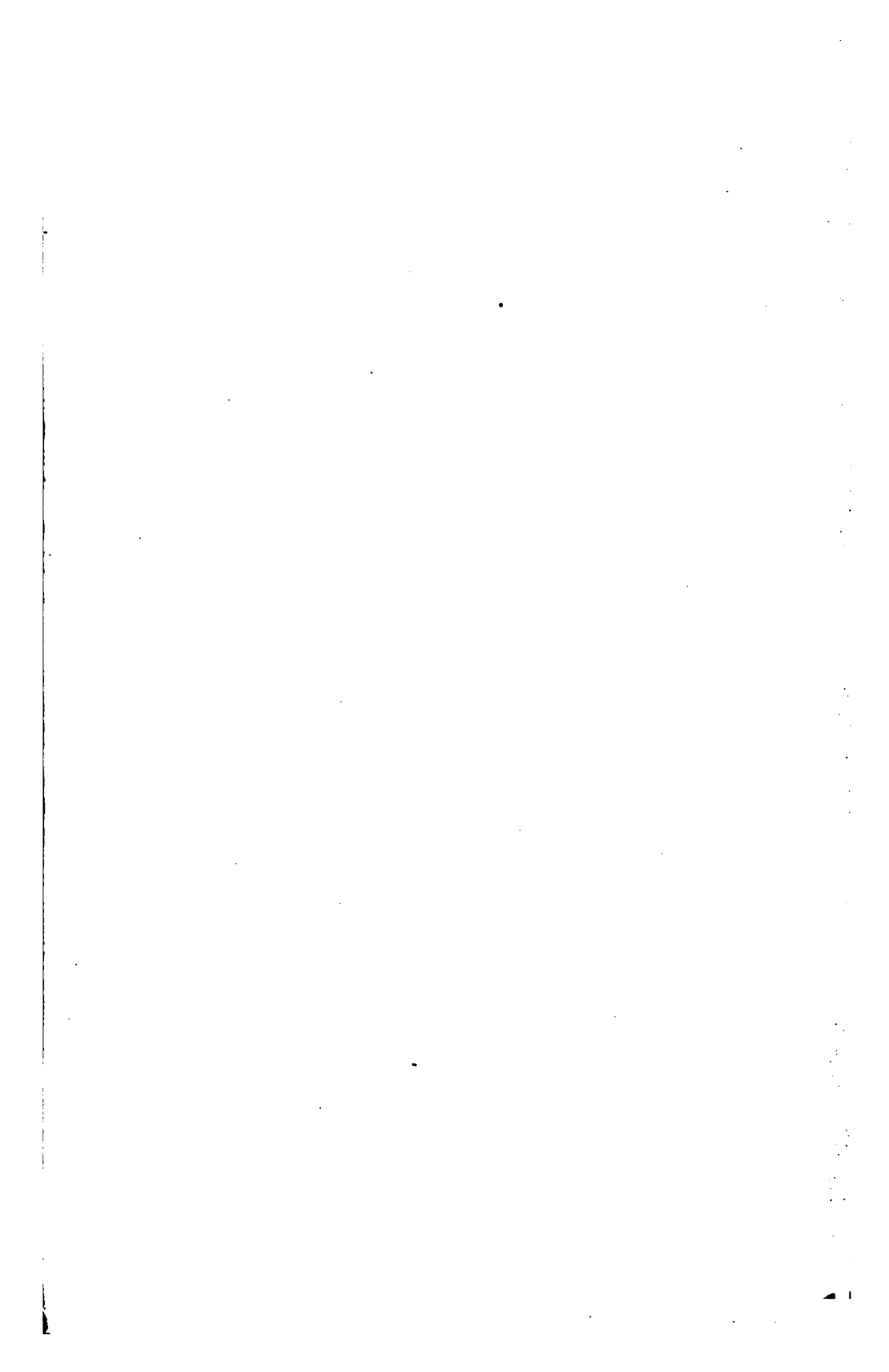
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TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF VERMONT.

The Board of Library Commissioners herewith submits its biennial report for the term ending June 30, 1910.

At the last session of the General Assembly, important legislation was adopted conferring larger powers and imposing new duties upon this board and at the same time granting increased appropriations. The law creating a Board of Library Commissioners and defining its powers and duties is printed elsewhere in this report.

The most important amendment to the library law made by the last General Assembly was that which authorized the board to assist those libraries in the smaller towns that render useful assistance to the country schools, and districts remote from the library. For this purpose an annual appropriation of one thousand dollars was placed at the disposal of the board. This appropriation enabled the board during the year, from December 1, 1908, to December 1, 1909, to assist thirty-eight towns with gifts of carefully selected collections of books, costing from twenty to thirty-five dollars each. In arranging this work, the board required a formal application and an assurance that there should be work done beyond the usual routine, and at the end of the year a report was requested from each town that received such assistance in order that the board might know the value of this work and plan its future policy. Of these thirty-eight towns, twenty-one have done substantial work in the small country schools and several have maintained branch or traveling libraries in their remote sections.

The present year brought sixty-three applications for annual aid, of these twenty-two are from towns which did not apply the first year. Owing to the limited appropriation the board felt constrained to grant assistance to only forty-five of this number, and fears that this may have discouraged some small libraries and injured the public welfare, but it seems unwise and beneath the dignity of the state to grant assistance of less than twenty dollars annually to any one town.

Since our last report, new libraries have been established by the aid of the state in the towns of Belvidere, Bennington,



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Bridport, Charleston, Glover, Plymouth, Richmond and Whiting. The towns of Brookfield and Goshen, after having voted to apply for state aid, have, for local reasons, failed to do so. The towns of Lowell and Huntington have started libraries without the aid of the state.

During the same period new library buildings have been erected in Bellows Falls, which has received assistance from Mr. Carnegie; in Johnson by the Ladies' Oread Club; in Quechee by the Library Association of that place; in Weston by the heirs of John Wilder; and in Wardsboro, the Gleason Memorial Hall, by Mr. James M. Gleason.

Through the enterprise of public spirited associations and private benevolence Vermont now has seventy-two library buildings as memorials of the generosity of the donors, many



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of whom have left the state, and as evidence of Vermont's ambition for the best in life and letters. These buildings, scattered through the state, give proof of the spirit of progress which is constantly increasing.

In the towns of Barnard, Bethel, Shelburne, South Hero and Swanton money is being raised for the purpose of erecting new library buildings, and Bristol has been given \$8,000 by

Hon. W. A. Lawrence for a library building. During the same term large gifts or bequests for library purposes have been received by the towns of Danville, Lunenburg, Newbury, Pittsford, Reading, St. Johnsbury, Strafford, Wilmington and Windsor.

Of our two hundred forty-six towns and cities, all but sixty-seven have libraries, and of these seventeen have traveling library stations. All but nineteen of the established libraries are free, and the reason these are not free is generally the condition of some gift, or the sentiment connected with some time honored tradition. It is a matter of regret that such things should, in several towns, impede that freedom which is the goal and ideal of public usefulness.



PUBLIC LIBRARY, JOHNSON—READING TABLE

The board held its second annual institute for librarians at Middlebury College, July 12-17, 1909, and its third at St. Johnsbury Academy, June 20-25, 1910. The purpose of these institutes, in assembling and instructing the librarians of the state, finds its result and reward in the training and development of a professional corps of workers inspired by the ideal of public service and ambitious for the best methods and the largest usefulness. The attendance has been very good, averaging about

thirty, and the interest aroused continues to increase. Instruction has been given in cataloging and the technical part of library work and also in book mending and methods of reaching the public. The expense of attendance has been cut to the lowest possible point by the careful provision of the board. The recently amended law authorizes the payment of the same from the general fund of the towns, and such expenses should be paid freely, for the librarians generally give generously of their time and work for very meagre compensation.

Since our last report the board has held quarterly public meetings for the advancement of library work as follows: Pomfret, September 8, 1908; Lyndonville, January 28, 1909; Swanton, April 29, 1909; Proctorsville, November 19, 1909; Bellows Falls, January 28, 1910; Johnson, April 29, 1910. It has also supplied speakers on library work with schools for teachers' meetings at Bakersfield, Burlington, Morrisville and Rutland. At several of these meetings exhibits of books, pamphlets, pictures and library devices have been shown which have been found very profitable, and it is planned to send similar ones to the state and county fairs and teachers' meetings.

The board has been represented by its Secretary or some of its members at the following meetings held outside the state.

New York library meeting, Lake Placid, 1905.

A. L. A., Narragansett Pier, 1906.

New Jersey and Pennsylvania joint meeting, Atlantic City, 1908.

New Hampshire library meeting, Keene, 1908.

Massachusetts Library Club, Deerfield, 1908.

New England Library Commission Club, Hartford, 1909.

A. L. A., Bretton Woods, 1909.

New York library meeting, Lake George, 1909.

New England Library Commission Club, Hartford, 1910.

League of Library Commissions, eastern section, Albany, 1910.

Joint New England Association meeting, Princeton, Mass., 1910.

We continue to publish a quarterly bulletin which is sent



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to all Vermont libraries, colleges, normal schools, high schools, academies and superintendents of schools, as well as to the newspapers and a large mailing list both within and without the state, and we are pleased to report that we have received many appreciative expressions as to its value.

One of the difficult problems for our librarians is the choice and purchase of books and we have tried in many ways to lessen this difficulty, not only by aid and advice, but by furnishing the monthly book lists of the American Library Association and lists especially prepared for small libraries to every public library. Thirty-four free copies of the magazine, "Public Libraries," have been given as heretofore and two thousand copies of Mr. Wyer's address before the State Teachers' Association at Burlington in October, 1909, were printed and distributed to schools and libraries.

The Secretary of the board has aided in cataloging the libraries in Bridport, Franklin, Groton, Hartland, Jericho, Proctorsville and Weston, and has visited Addison, Barnard, Barre, Bellows Falls, Bennington, Benson, Duxbury, East Bethel, Eden, Essex, Fair Haven, Greensboro, Hardwick, Highgate, Hubbardton, Jeffersonville, Lowell, Lyndonville, Marshfield, Middlebury, Milton, Montpelier, Morrisville, Northfield, Pomfret, Quechee, Readsboro, Richmond, Royalton, Rutland, St. Albans, St. Johnsbury, Swanton, Thetford, Vergennes, Vershire, Walden Waterbury, Waterville, Weathersfield, West Haven, West Windsor, White River Junction, Whitingham, Williston, Wilmington, Windsor, Winooski, Woodbury and Woodstock, in connection with the library work of those places.

The board has found it advisable to cooperate as far as possible with other state boards and commissions, and acknowledges the assistance and cooperation of the Superintendent of Education, the School Supervisors, the State Forester and Commissioner of Agriculture.

The librarians of the state, in the Vermont Library Association, continue an organization of great value to Vermont. Its work of development and encouragement of libraries and librarians deserves the recognition of the state, and has been of great assistance to the Library Commission. Its Publicity Committee has for two years kept the state press regularly supplied with

library items. A report from the Executive Board of the Association is included in this report.

The value of our traveling libraries is proved by their greatly increased use. We are gratified by the favorable reports from the schools which have used our school libraries. The stereographic views and pictures which we have recently added to our traveling libraries for schools have received high commendation from the teachers. We regret that our means have



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not enabled us to meet and satisfy the demand, and that we have been thus hindered from developing this branch of our work to its utmost.

An increase of the appropriation for traveling library purposes to one thousand dollars, and of the appropriation for annual aid to fifteen hundred dollars, and of the general appropriation to twenty-five hundred dollars would be of great advantage to the state.

There is a wide field for work by our board in the state institutions. In many states large sums are devoted to this

special field. We have tried to help by placing traveling libraries in the State Prison, House of Correction, Industrial School and State Hospital for the Insane. The libraries have been well used and read, but it is not the ideal way to supply the inmates with reading matter. These institutions are peculiarly liable to infectious and contagious diseases and each one requires a class of books especially suited to its needs. In the House of



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Correction and Industrial School particularly, there is need of books that can be used in connection with school work. Evening classes are held in the House of Correction, which is for many of the prisoners the only chance that they may ever have to learn from books. During the year over a thousand men,

women and boys pass through here and go out again to become either better or worse citizens. Very few of those in State Prison remain there for life. The influence of proper reading for such and for those in the Insane Hospital can not be questioned, and they should have books selected especially for their needs, which remain a permanent part of their institution and which are constantly under the supervision of some one with a knowledge of the choice and purchase of books and their care.

It would seem that this work would fall naturally to the Library Commission, as in some other states, in joint consultation with the Superintendents of these institutions. For this purpose the board would recommend a special appropriation of one hundred dollars annually for each state institution, to be spent for the purchase and care of books for their permanent use.

At present the State Prison has several hundred volumes in an unclean and ragged condition, many of which are unsuited to their readers' needs, the House of Correction has a few books of the same description, mostly cast-off gifts, and of unattractive print and binding, the Industrial School has some good books, but insufficient in number for their use, and the Insane Hospital practically no books or library at all for the patients' use. The Soldiers' Home at Bennington could use many more books than it has, but the need there is not so urgent. All of these state institutions are so well managed in every other department, and so ably conducted by the present Superintendents that it seems a pity that the state should not provide for adequate reading and books by having permanent libraries established here by the board as well as in the towns and other schools of the state. That the inmates will read has been proved by their use of the traveling libraries which is noted in the traveling library report.

Since our last report Mrs. M. H. Buckham of Burlington has resigned from the board after long and valuable service, and Miss Fanny B. Fletcher of Proctorsville has been appointed to fill the vacancy.

The board conceives that its duty is to continue its work of popularizing the library, to make it known to every man, woman and child in the state, to attract and satisfy our farmers,

workmen and professional men, and we realize that the most certain way to reach the greatest number and to do the most good is to make the library reach and attract the children.

To that end we have labored by means of books, stereographs and other pictures, by personal work, and by other means of interest, with teachers, supervisors, town officers and the public press and we feel sure that our work is beneficial to the state.

MARCH M. WILSON, *Chairman.*

Randolph, Vt., Aug. 4, 1910.

TRAVELING LIBRARY DEPARTMENT.
REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

We are now completing ten years' experience with traveling libraries, and report continued and increasing demand for them in all departments. The use of the general libraries has nearly doubled. In some cases the stations have formed permanent libraries, and so have dropped from the list of borrowers. Other stations have dropped out for other reasons



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and new communities have been added to the list. A new growth has been in the direction of libraries on special subjects, and school libraries. These have been limited only by the means at our command to supply them. We have feared to advertise

school libraries very much this past year because we have not had enough libraries to meet the increasing demand.

During the past two years we have added 8 general libraries, 14 school libraries, 16 study club collections, and various sets of pictures to our equipment.

We have also endeavored to meet the needs, so far as we could, of our state institutions. Two libraries of 50 volumes each were sent to the Industrial School at Vergennes. The Superintendent there reports that the books just suited their needs and were much used and enjoyed by the children, but he



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would prefer to have the collection owned by the school increased to meet their needs.

Three libraries, 127 volumes in all, were sent to the Vermont State Hospital at Waterbury; these have been used by the patients to some extent, but would have been used more if the

books could have been exchanged through the different wards; and if it had not been necessary to return the books, they could have been lent to violent patients more freely.

A traveling library of 60 volumes was sent to the House of Correction; 194 readers read 1,469 books while the library was there. "Dawson's German Life in Town and Country," was the most popular book, having been read 53 times, "David Copperfield," "Man Without a Country" and "D'ri and I," came next; each was used 36 times. No book was taken out less than five times. Books for collateral reading are greatly needed for use in the evening classes.

Each year for three years a traveling library has been sent to the state prison, in all 161 volumes. The books here are handled very carefully by the prisoners and much read. The popular demand is for a better class of reading than the average patron of a public library calls for. From the last library "Butler's Story of Athens" was taken out 36 times, Johnson's "What They See in New England," 34 times; De Blowitz's "Memoirs" and Denning's "Mosaics from India," each 35 times; Cooper's "Spy," 34 times, and Geikie's "Scottish Reminiscences," 33 times. "Les Miserables" is always popular.

Each cell is provided with electric light. The men have considerable time to read and are very grateful for the privilege of books. It seems a misfortune that no better provision is made for a permanent library for them.

It may be of interest to know what some of the people who use the libraries are saying to us. We select the following brief extracts from a few letters:

"I will take this occasion to report to you the rapid progress we are making with the use of the branch library we have here now. The results are very gratifying, the interest shown being far beyond our expectations. They are all very good books which interest our young and old readers to a great extent. The only trouble I am having now, is that the demand exceeds our supply."

"In visiting school, Thursday, I found the teacher and pupils much interested in the library recently sent. If all your work meets the satisfactory results that this part of it does, the traveling library is proving a great factor in helping our state

to a higher plane. While our care was that the pupils might have a chance to read something else than the text-books, their parents are now becoming interested."

"Books meet the needs of the people perfectly. You could not have chosen more wisely had you known us."

"The contents look very inviting. If the children do not enthusiastically enjoy it, I shall be ashamed of them. But I am sure they will."

"The results have been far better than we expected, for while the children have been reading books in connection with their school work that they would not have had a chance to read otherwise, the teacher tells me that there has been a considerable interest on the part of the parents which has been very gratifying."

In answer to many inquiries we re-state what must be done to procure a traveling library:

Send to the Superintendent of the department or the Secretary of the commission for an application blank. This blank, when filled out and signed by three citizens, states the name of the person who is to act as librarian and have charge of the correspondence regarding the library. It also contains an agreement to return the library within six months from its reception, to pay transportation charges and to make good any losses beyond reasonable wear.

The law requires the signatures of but three citizens. But it is always well to have a larger number behind the movement. The very best plan is to form a library association of the most progressive people, men and women, young and old, who shall plan for the reception and care of the library and shall work together to create as wide an interest in it as possible. This association often makes a center of social life in a small town.

With each library is furnished a sufficient number of annotated lists of the books contained therein for all families in the community. These are designed to arouse interest and aid in making a selection of books desired. The expense of transportation of the books varies with the size of the library and the distance it must go, from fifty cents to a dollar and a half. The express companies make a reduction of half the regular rate on the return.

We submit the following statistics:

Number of volumes in general libraries	2,295
Number of volumes in study club collections.....	810
Number of volumes in school libraries	600
Total	3,705

Number of books sent out.....	5,505
Number of readers	3,294

Circulation reported:

Adult fiction	6,123
Adult non-fiction	4,328
Juvenile books	5,801

Number of library stations	85
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Added during the past two years	58
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Dropped during the past two years	29
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Collections of pictures.

100 stereographs of Scotland and Ireland.

100 stereographs of Spain.

100 stereographs of the Philippines.

12 stereographs of coal and coke industries.

12 stereographs of lumbering.

18 stereographs of cotton.

(The above with stereoscopes).

20 photographs of Proctor marble quarries.

20 photographic enlargements of snowflakes.

Mounted Perry, Brown, Cosmos and Mumford pictures.

Colored pictures of fruits, birds, animals, flowers, shells, fish and Indians.

Reproductions of famous paintings and historic places.

Portraits of authors and musicians.

Pictures of trees.

119 views of library buildings in Vermont.

60 library views outside Vermont.

1 set of Hough's mounted sections of wood.

SUBJECTS OF SPECIAL COLLECTIONS OF BOOKS FOR STUDY CLUBS.

American Indians,
Art,
Canada,

Child Study,
Eminent Women,
England,

Florence,
 France,
 Home Economics,
 India,
 Ireland,
 Japan,
 Library helps,
 Missions,
 Music,
 Nature Study,
 New England Authors,

New York City,
 Renaissance Period,
 Scotland,
 Shakespeare,
 Spain,
 Teachers' helps,
 Tennyson,
 United States Colonial History,
 Vermont,
 Washington, D. C.

SUSAN H. SMITH,
For the Commission.

TRAVELING LIBRARY STATIONS.

Arlington,
 Bakersfield,
 Barre,
 Bethel, East, 2 stations,
 Bolton,
 Braintree, 2 stations,
 Bridgewater,
 Bridgewater, West,
 Brookfield,
 Calais,
 Cambridge, 2 stations,
 Cambridge, Jeffersonville, 2
 stations,
 Charleston,
 Charlotte,
 Danville, 2 stations,
 Dummerston,
 Elmore,
 Enosburg,
 Essex Center,
 Essex Junction,
 Fairfax,
 Fletcher,
 Franklin, 2 stations,
 Halifax,
 Holland,
 Jericho,
 Johnson,
 Lemington,
 Lowell, 2 stations,

Lunenburg,
 Lyndon,
 Milton, 3 stations,
 Morgan, 2 stations,
 Mt. Holly,
 Mt. Holly, Mechanicsville,
 2 stations,
 Newbury,
 Plymouth,
 Randolph Center,
 Reading,
 Richmond,
 Roxbury,
 Royalton, South, 2 stations,
 Rutland,
 St. Johnsbury,
 Sheldon,
 Sheldon Springs,
 Springfield,
 Stamford,
 Starksboro, 4 stations,
 Thetford, East, 2 stations,
 Thetford, North, 2 stations,
 Tunbridge,
 Underhill,
 Vergennes,
 Wardsboro,
 Waterbury,
 Waterville,
 Wells,

Westford,
West Haven,
Westminster,
Williamstown,

Windham,
Wolcott,
Worcester,—85.

TRAVELING LIBRARY STATIONS DROPPED SINCE
JUNE 30, 1908.

Arlington, East,
Bennington,
Braintree,
Brandon,
Bridport,
Calais,
Corinth,
Coventry,
Danville, Harvey,
Elmore, Wolcott,
Elmore, Worcester,
Fairfax,
Fair Haven,
Guilford,

Glover,
Groton,
Ira,
Lincoln,
Pittsford,
Royalton,
Rutland,
Ryegate, South,
St. George,
Starksboro, 2 stations,
Townshend,
Westford, Cloverdale,
Williston,
Windsor, state prison,—29.

TRAVELING LIBRARY STATIONS ADDED SINCE
JUNE 30, 1908.

Barre,
Bethel, East, 2 stations,
Braintree, 2 stations,
Bridgewater, West,
Bridport,
Brookfield,
Calais,
Cambridge, Jeffersonville,
2 stations,
Charleston,
Corinth,
Danville,
Elmore, 3 stations,
Enosburg,
Essex,
Franklin,
Groton,
Holland,
Ira,

Johnson,
Lemington,
Lowell,
Milton, 3 stations,
Morgan, 2 stations,
Mt. Holly,
Mt. Holly, Mechanicsville,
2 stations,
Newbury,
Pittsford,
Plymouth,
Randolph Center,
Royalton,
Royalton, South,
Rutland, 2 stations,
St. Johnsbury,
Sheldon,
Sheldon Springs,
Springfield,

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Thetford, East, 2 stations,
Thetford, North, 2 stations,
Tunbridge,
Underhill,
Vergennes,

Waterbury,
Williamstown,
Williston,
Windham,
Wolcott,—58.

SAMPLE CATALOG OF A TRAVELING LIBRARY.

No. 43.

- 1 **Bouvet, Marguerite. Pierrette.**
The story of a poor widow and her little girl in Paris.
- 2 **Buckham, James. Afield with the seasons.**
Essays on nature, by a former Vermonter.
- 3 **Canfield, Dorothy. What shall we do now?**
Five hundred games and pastimes for children.
- 4 **Channing, B. M. Balaster boys.**
The four sons of a college professor adopt a girl cousin.
5. **Cooke, G. W. George Eliot.**
A critical study of the life, writings and philosophy of the great novelist.
- 6 **Crawford, F. M. White Sister.**
The story of a nun who is the daughter of a Roman prince. A pleasant tale slightly connected with the Saracinesca series.
- 7 **Crawford, M. C. Little Pilgrimages among old New England inns.**
An interesting account of early times and travel.
- 8 **Curtis, I. G. Making of a housewife.**
Suggestions for a young housekeeper in story form.
- 9 **Deming, E. W. Indian child life.**
A book of colored pictures and stories of the Mexican Indians, for little children.
- 10 **Downes, A. M. Fire fighters and their pets.**
True stories of the New York fire department.
- 11 **Eggleston, G. C. Long knives.**
A story for boys of the Virginian frontiersmen in the West under George Rogers Clarke, in Revolutionary times.
- 12 **Eliot, George, pseud. Felix Holt.**
A novel of the life of the English working people after the passing of the reform bill.
- 13 **Fox, John. Trail of the lonesome pine.**
A story of family feuds and the development of a boom town in the Kentucky mountains.
- 14 **Genung, J. F. Stevenson's attitude to life.**
A short essay with readings from Stevenson's essays and letters.
- 15 **Gerry, M. S. Toy shop.**
An incident in the life of Abraham Lincoln.
- 16 **Hardy, Thomas. Under the greenwood tree.**
A romance of simple country life in an English village many years ago. One of Mr. Hardy's best stories.
- 17 **Hopkins, W. J. Sandman: his sea stories.**
Stories of the sea for children, connected with life on the brig "Industry."
- 18 **Hornaday, W. T. Camp-fires on desert and lava.**
Explorations in Arizona and Mexico, with many photographic illustrations.
- 19 **Humphrey, Zephine. Over against Green Peak.**
Pleasant sketches of the life of three city ladies who buy a farm near Manchester, Vt.

- 20 **Jackson, Mrs. H. H.** Nelly's Silver Mine.
The journey to Colorado, of a Little New England girl and boy thirty years ago.
- 21 **Job, H. K.** Sport of bird-study.
A book on bird hunting with a camera, "for young or active people."
- 22 **Kelley, Myra.** Rosnah.
A story of country life in Ireland, relating to the reunion of a large family after twenty years' separation.
- 23 **Lane, E. M.** Katrine.
Story of a poor but beautiful Irish girl who became a great singer.
- 24 **Lorimer, Norma.** By the waters of Sicily.
A combination of love story and travel in Sicily.
- 25 **Lucas, E. V.** Anne's terrible good nature.
Charming tales of English children in somewhat unusual adventures.
- 26 **Lucas, E. V.** Gentlest art.
A collection of entertaining letters by noted men and women.
- 27 **Marshall, H. E.** Stories of William Tell.
An attractive account written for children.
- 28 **Morgan, Mrs. M. E.** How to dress a doll.
Simply written illustrated directions for making doll's clothes.
- 29 **Patterson, A. J.** Spinner family.
Accounts of spiders and other insects, written for children.
- 30 **Riis, J. A.** Theodore Roosevelt the citizen.
A popular life of the ex-president by a popular author.
- 31 **Roberts, C. G. D.** Earth's enigmas.
Short stories, scenes of most of them laid in Canada.
- 32 **Robinson, R. E.** Hero of Ticonderoga.
A story of Nathan Beeman who guided Ethan Allen to the Fort.
- 33 **Shaw, F. L.** Castle Blair.
Five children and a dog in a country home in Ireland.
- 34 **Sidgwick, Mrs. Alfred.** Home life in Germany.
The common round of life in Germany vividly and humorously described. Good illustrations.
- 35 **Smith, C. S.** Barbizon days.
A finely illustrated record of the Forest of Fontainebleau and the painters who made it famous.
- 36 **Smith, F. H.** Captain Thomas A. Scott.
A short sketch of a master diver who lived a noble life.
- 37 **Steele, Zadock.** Captivity and sufferings of Zadock Steele.
A reprint of a book written by an early settler of Randolph, Vt., who was captured by the Indians in 1780. Contains also an account of the burning of Royalton by the British and Indians.
- 38 **Stevenson, B. E.** Poems of American history.
A fine collection classified according to subjects and periods.
- 39 **Stevenson, R. L.** Master of Ballantrae.
The annals and romantic adventures of a noble Scottish family involved in the Jacobite troubles after 1745.
- 40 **Thompson, C. M.** Calico cat.
A comical story of legal difficulties in an Eastern Vermont town.
- 41 **Thompson, J. H.** Water wonders every child should know.
Description of dew, frost, sun, ice and rain, with illustrations from photographs by the specialist, Wilson A. Bentley of Jericho, Vt.

- 42 Tileston, M. W. Children's treasure trove of pearls.
Forty-one well told tales collected from old and unfamiliar sources.
- 43 Tomlinson, E. T. Camp-fire of Mad Anthony.
A tale of the tea-burners in New Jersey during the struggle for independence in 1774.
- 44 Twain, Mark, pseud. Pudd'nhead Wilson.
A delineation of life half a century ago in a small Missouri town.
- 45 Walker, M. C. Lady Hollyhock and her friends.
Colored pictures, with descriptions of dolls made from vegetables, flowers, nuts, clothes-pins, pipes, and other things.

SAMPLE LIST OF A SCHOOL TRAVELING LIBRARY.

No. 17.

- 1 Aanrud, Hans. Lisbeth Longfrock.
- 2 Abbott, Jacob. Ellen Linn.
- 3 Barbour, R. H. For the honor of the school.
- 4 Bolton, S. K. Poor boys who became famous.
- 5 Carpenter, F. G. South America.
- 6 Chadwick, M. L. P. Jack and the beanstalk.
- 7 Deland, E. D. Katrina.
- 8 De la Ramee, Louise. Nurnberg stove.
- 9 Deming, E. W. Indian child life.
- 10 Elson, H. W. Child's guide to American history.
- 11 French, H. W. Lance of Kanana.
- 12 Goss, W. L. Jed.
- 13 Gulick, L. H. Physical education by muscular exercise.
- 14 Haines, A. C. Luck of the Dudley Grahams.
- 15 Kelly, R. T. Burma.
- 16 Lagerlof, Selma. Wonderful adventures of Nils.
- 17 Lang, L. B. Red book of heroes.
- 18 Lansing, M. F. Rhymes and stories.
- 19 Longfellow, H. W. Children's Longfellow.
- 20 Lucas, E. V. Forgotten tales of long ago.
- 21 McDonald, E. B. Kathleen in Ireland.
- 22 Mcleod, Mary. Shakespeare story book.
- 23 Merriam, F. A. Birds of village and field.
- 24 Munroe, Kirk. Flamingo feather.
- 25 Pyle, Howard. Wonder clock.
- 26 Rowe, S. H. Habit-formation and the science of teaching.
- 27 Shute, K. H. Land of song, v. 2.
- 28 Walker, Mrs. L. Instructive and ornamental paper work.
- 29 Weed, C. M. Wild flower families.
- 30 Wheeler, F. R. Boy with the U. S. Survey.

SAMPLE LIST OF A STUDY CLUB COLLECTION.

SPECIAL COLLECTION OF BOOKS FOR THE STUDY OF SPAIN.

-
- Amicis, Edmondo de. Spain.
Bates, K. L. Spanish highways and byways.
Becquer, A. Romantic Legends of Spain.
Borrow, George. Bible in Spain.
Breal, Auguste. Velasquez.
Calvert, A. T. Royal palaces of Spain.
Campion, J. T. On foot in Spain.
Cervantes, M. de. Adventures of Don Quixote.
Ellis, Havelock. Soul of Spain.
Galdos, P. B. Dona Perfecta.
Hale, E. E. Seven Spanish cities.
Hanftaengl, Franz. Masterpieces of Valazquez.
Hay, John. Castilian days.
Higgin, Louis. Spanish life in town and country.
Howe, Maud. Sun and shadow in Spain.
Hume, M. A. S. Modern Spain.
Hume, M. A. S. Spanish people.
Hume, M. A. S. Spain—its greatness and decay.
Hutton, Edward. Cities of Spain.
Kelly, J. F. Some chapters of Spanish literature.
Latimer, E. W. Spain in the nineteenth century.
Lodge, H. C. War with Spain.
Moret, A. D. B. School of Madrid.
Perkins, C. C. Builders of Spain.
Poole, S. L. Moors in Spain.
Prescott, W. H. Ferdinand and Isabella.
Stoddard, J. L. Spain.
Thirlmore, Rowland. Letters from Catalonia.
Wardell, Mrs. Villiers. Spain of the Spanish.
Watts, H. E. Christian recovery of Spain.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR TRAVELING LIBRARY.

To the Board of Library Commissioners of the State of Vermont:

We, the undersigned citizens of.....
hereby apply for the loan of a traveling library as provided by
No. 52, Acts of 1908.

We name,
whom we know to be a responsible person, to act for us as
librarian and to have in charge said library and the correspond-
ence relating thereto. We hereby agree to return said library
within six months from its reception, to pay all transportation
charges to and from and to
make good any losses or injuries beyond reasonable wear, how-
ever accruing, while said library is in our custody.

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Express addressP. O. address

Library to be kept in (underline one.) Library, School, Grange,
Store, Residence, Study Club.

THE VERMONT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.

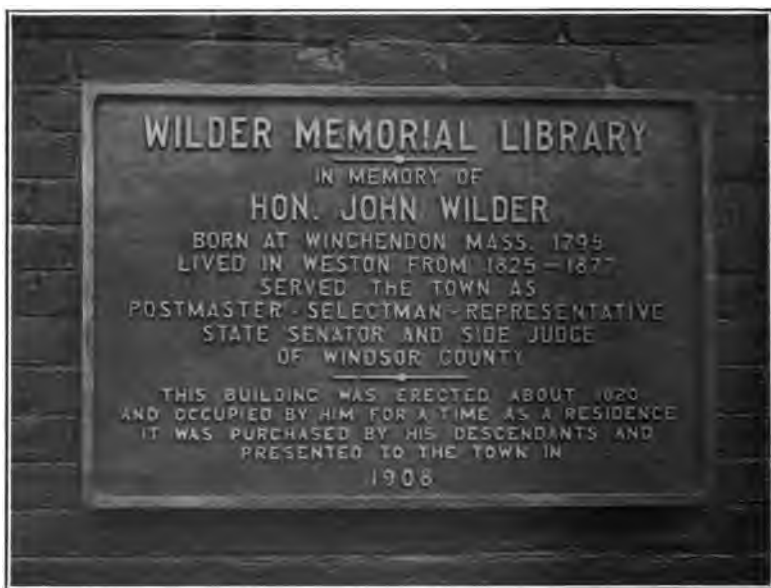
The work of the Vermont Library Association has been broadened and strengthened by the election of a board of Second Vice-Presidents to represent certain districts of the state. A short time before the annual meeting of the Association the Second Vice-Presidents send to each library in their district a set of questions relating to library work and from the replies to these questions make a report to the Association of the library activities in their districts. In this way the Vice-Presidents come in touch with the libraries in their vicinity and



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the Association becomes acquainted with the work being done in all parts of the state. The Second Vice-Presidents also assist the State Board of Library Commissioners in arousing interest in the public meetings held by the commission in different communities. Several of these public meetings have been held by invitation in the libraries, presided over by the Second Vice-Presidents.

At the annual meeting of the Association in 1908, the need of acquainting the public with the work being done by our libraries and the State Board of Library Commissioners was freely discussed and as a result of the discussion a Committee on Publicity was appointed. The same Committee has served the Association for two years, doing its work systematically and efficiently. A mailing list of every newspaper in the State has been prepared and an item on library matters sent to each paper once a month. By this means the general public has been



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given an opportunity to become better acquainted with the special work of individual libraries, the nature of the traveling libraries sent out by the commission, and how to obtain them, the new library law, and the need of co-operation between our libraries and schools. No small part of the work of this committee has been the advertising and reporting of public library meetings.

During the first year of its work the Publicity Committee received a gift of \$10.00 to be awarded as a prize to the librarian presenting at the next annual meeting the best collection of

library notes published in the local press. This prize was won by Miss Kate I. Stewart of the Bristol library. The following year the committee received the sum of \$15.00 to be awarded in two prizes of \$10.00 and \$5.00 each. The first prize was won by Mrs. Abba D. Chamberlin of Pomfret and the second by Miss Kate I. Stewart.



WILDER MEMORIAL LIBRARY, WESTON,—READING ROOM.

Through the efforts of the Educational Committee during the past two years a closer relation has been brought about between those working for the interests of our schools and libraries. Whenever it has come to the attention of this committee that an educational meeting was to be held in any part of the state a request has been made to those in charge of the meeting that

the subject of co-operation between schools and libraries be given a place on the program. These requests have always been granted with readiness.

Library interests were presented at the annual meeting of the State Teachers' Association in 1909 and a place on the program of the next meeting has been assured. Speakers have been sent to several library institutes and district educational meetings. The expenses of the speakers at these meetings have been met by the Commission. A special Committee on Forestry appointed the previous year prepared for the annual meeting in 1909, a most interesting and instructive exhibit. It included a list of books on trees and forestry; a collection of public documents and leaflets on forestry issued by the United States Government; pictures of trees; samples of different woods and a chart showing kinds of wood and their uses. At the invitation of this committee, Mr. Austin F. Hawes, the State Forester, spoke before the Association on Forestry in Vermont.

The committee appointed at the annual meeting in 1909 to prepare a graded list of children's books is still at work upon the list. The work has progressed somewhat slowly, owing to the fact that the committee wished to become thoroughly acquainted with the books included in the list. When completed it will be graded and classified.

The Executive Board of the Association commends the enthusiasm and efficiency of the work of the Second Vice-Presidents and the members of the different committees.

FRANCES M. PIERCE,
KATE W. BARNEY,
GEO. DANA SMITH.

OFFICERS FOR THE VERMONT LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, 1910.

President—Mrs. Kate Woods Barney, Springfield.

Vice-President—Miss Lucy D. Cheney, Rutland.

Secretary and Treasurer—Miss Evelyn Lease, Montpelier.

Second Vice-Presidents for counties:

Orleans, Essex and Caledonia—Miss Elizabeth Hills, Lyndonville.

Grand Isle, Franklin and Lamoille—Miss Oella Thompson, Morrisville.

Rutland and Bennington—Miss Bertha M. Shaw, Pittsford.

Windsor and Windham—Mrs. Abba Doton Chamberlin, Pomfret.

Washington and Orange—Miss Ellen Brown, Northfield.

Chittenden and Addison—Miss Adella V. Ingham, Vergennes.

New member of Nominating Committee—Mrs. Ella Traux, St. Johnsbury.

HOW A TOWN MAY ESTABLISH A FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Insert in the warning for town meeting the following articles:

1. To see if the town will elect a board of five library trustees and instruct such board to make application to the State Board of Library Commissioners for state aid.

2. To see what sum, if any, the town will appropriate for the maintenance of a free public library.

If the grand list of the town is less than \$2,500, the sum must not be less than \$15.

If the grand list is more than \$2,500, yet less than \$10,000, the sum to be appropriated must be not less than \$25.

If the grand list is \$10,000 or more, the sum to be raised must

be not less than \$50. Many towns show their desire for civic improvement by raising much higher sums than the state requires of them.

ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.

The commissioners advise that the Board of Library Trustees be elected in accordance with the provisions of Sections 23 and 24, No. 52, Acts of 1908, and be five in number and elected when first chosen, one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years.

STATE AID FOR FREE PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

The Board of Library Commissioners have authority under the law (see Section 3, No. 52, Acts 1908) to expend a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars in each case for books to be used in establishing free public libraries in the towns, cities and incorporated villages of the state.

The law further provides (Section 9, No. 52, Acts 1908) that no town, city or incorporated village shall be entitled to state aid unless such town, city or incorporated village has elected a board of library trustees and voted to instruct such board to make application to the State Board of Library Commissioners, and said trustees have provided, in a manner satisfactory to the State Board of Library Commissioners, for the care, custody and distribution of the books furnished said library.

While it is the duty of the commission to decide upon the books to be furnished a town, suggestions from the librarians and trustees in each town regarding the selection of the books are always gladly received and acted upon when in the judgment of the commission the books requested are such as ought to be purchased.

DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING APPLICATION FOR STATE AID.

The Library Commission, upon request, will furnish proper blanks for making application for state aid in establishing a library.

The forms required to be filled and filed with the commission are as follows:

No. 1.

APPLICATION OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES FOR STATE AID.

TOWN OF VT.,19

To the Board of Library Commissioners:

The Board of Library Trustees of the town of Vermont, elected as specified in the certificate of the town clerk hereto attached, make application under the provisions of No. 52 of the Acts of 1908, for the expenditure of the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the purchase of books to be used in establishing a free public library in said town.

.....
Chairman Board of Library Trustees.

(The town clerk's certificate showing election of trustees, etc., should be attached to this application.)

No. 2.

CERTIFICATE OF TOWN CLERK.

.....VT.,19

To the Board of Library Commissioners:

I,, Town Clerk of, Vermont, hereby certify that at the annual town meeting of said town,

held on the first Tuesday of March, 19...., the following named persons were elected a board of library trustees for the terms specified:

Name	Post Office Address	Term for which Elected.
1	
2	 year
3	
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5	

That at said annual March meeting the town voted to instruct its board of library trustees to make application to the board of library commissioners to expend the sum of one hundred dollars (\$100) for the purchase of books to be used in establishing a free public library in said town, as provided by No. 52 of the Acts of 1908.

That at said meeting the town further voted to appropriate for the maintenance of a free public library the sum ofdollars annually; and that the grand list of said town when said vote was taken wasdollars.

I further certify that the town of..... has no free public library owned or controlled thereby, and the action hereinbefore set forth was taken pursuant to the following articles inserted in the warning for said town meeting:

(Insert here an exact copy of the articles in the warning.)

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Town clerk of, Vermont.

(This certificate should be attached to the application for state aid.)

In view of the obligation resting upon the commission and in order that the law may be complied with, upon receipt of the foregoing application and certificate properly filled out the following blank is sent to the trustees of the library for information concerning library conditions in the town and to ascertain whether proper provision has been made for the care and circulation of the books.

No. 3.

STATISTICS AND INFORMATION REGARDING PUBLIC LIBRARY.

TOWN OF, VT.,19

To the Board of Library Commissioners:

In compliance with your request for information regarding library conditions in this town, I answer the following questions:

1. What provision has been made for a library room and where is it located?

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2. Who is the librarian, if determined, and what, if any, compensation is to be paid?

.....

3. What days and hours is the library to be kept open for the loan and return of books?

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4. Are any books already available or soon to be turned over to the town as a part of the free public library? If so, please furnish the Board of Library Commissioners with a complete list of such books, that they may not be duplicated.

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5. Is there any library already established in this town? If so, please state the approximate number of books in it, its condition, and in a general way the terms upon which books are loaned.

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6. By what name is your library to be known?

.....

7. Please give *a.* Post Office address

b. Address for express

c. Address for freight.....

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Chairman or Librarian.

METHOD OF SECURING ANNUAL AID FOR LIBRARIES
ALREADY ESTABLISHED.

(Authorized by Sec. 4, No. 52, Acts 1908.)

In order to assist the commission in deciding upon what libraries ought to receive annual aid, the following application and question blank are required to be filled out and filed with the board.

APPLICATION FOR STATE AID FOR LIBRARIES ALREADY
ESTABLISHED.

To the Board of Library Commissioners for the State of Vermont:

We, the undersigned, trustees of the.....
..... library, of the town
of, county of,
file herewith the certificate of the town clerk of said town showing that the grand list of said town, exclusive of polls, is and we certify that said library is a free public library, and is accessible to the public at least during portions of two days of each week, and that the following provisions have been made for the service of schools and other portions of the town, so that no section of the town is deprived of the use of the library;
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and we hereby apply for annual state aid for said library as provided by Act No. 52 of the Vermont statutes of 1908.

Signed this day of 19

Post office address.

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ANNUAL AID QUESTION BLANK.

This report should be returned to the secretary of the board, March 1, 19.....

This information is desired as a basis for the granting of future state aid. Libraries receiving annual aid in 19..... will be expected to make a report to the Board of Library Commissioners, answering the following questions:

Name of town..... County

Library Librarian

Population of town.....Grand list exclusive of polls

Number of schools in town..... Number of villages

Number of branch libraries in town

Where located

.....

Number of books sent to such branches.....

Number of schools supplied with books
Number of books sent to each school
How often were books sent to each school?
How often were books sent to branches or other portions of the
town?
How many days during the week was the library open?
.....
Have you the full number of five trustees?
Number of volumes received from the state in 19.....
Date of their receipt
If possible, give your last annual circulation
Amount appropriated by the town for library purposes at its last
annual meeting
Please give as full a report as possible and any further
information you think desirable
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.....
Date Reported by
Express and freight address
P. O. address

ONE OF THE LISTS OF BOOKS FURNISHED WITH \$100
APPROPRIATED BY THE STATE.

ART.

Caffin, C. H. Child's guide to pictures.
Hurl, E. M. Greek sculpture.
Reinach, S. Story of art.

BIOGRAPHY.

Custer, E. B. Boots and saddles.
Duncan, Norman. Dr. Grenfell's parish.
Morgan, James. Abraham Lincoln, boy and man.
Palmer, G. H. Life of Alice Freeman Palmer.
Pryor, Mrs. R. A. Reminiscences of peace and war.
Riis, Jacob. Making of an American.
Washington, B. T. Up from slavery.
Wister, Owen. Seven ages of Washington.

HISTORY.

Earle, A. M. Home life in Colonial days.
Eggleston, Edward. History of the United States.
Green, J. L. Short story of the English people.
Pryor, Mrs. R. A. Reminiscences of peace and war.
Robinson, Rowland. Vermont.

LITERATURE, EDUCATION AND RELIGION.

Abbott, E. H. On the training of parents.
Brooks, Phillips. Sermons.
Brooks, S. A. English literature.
Bryant, S. C. How to tell stories to children.
Hanscom, E. D. Friendly craft.
Palgrave, F. T. Golden treasury.
Steiner, E. A. On the trail of the immigrant.
Taft, W. H. Present day problems.
Tennyson, Alfred. Poems.

SCIENCE.

Blanchan, Neltje. Bird neighbors.
Bostock, F. C. Training of wild animals.
Gifford, John. Practical forestry.
Hill, C. T. Fighting a fire.
Martin, M. E. Friendly stars.
Parsons, Mrs. F. D. How to know the wild flowers.

TRAVEL AND DESCRIPTION.

- Bacon, A. M. Japanese girls and women.
Brady, C. T. Recollections of a missionary in the great west.
Bullen, F. T. Cruise of the Cachalot.
Hay, John. Castilian days.
Jungman, Mrs. Beatrix. Holland. (Peeps at many lands).
Laut, A. C. Pathfinders of the west.
Lummis, C. F. Some strange corners of our country.
O'Connor, W. D. Heroes of the storm.
Parkman, Francis. Oregon trail.
Sidgwick, Mrs. Alfred. Home life in Germany.
VanDyke, Henry. Out of doors in the Holy Land.
Villari, Luigi. Italian life in town and country.
Williams, Archibald. Romance of modern exploration.

USEFUL ART.

- Bennett, I. D. The vegetable garden.
Dodd, H. C. Healthful farmhouse.
Fiske, G. B. Poultry feeding and fattening.
Hill, Mrs. J. M. Cooking for two.
Rorer, Mrs. S. T. Home candy making.
Waugh, F. H. American apple orchard.
Weeks-Shaw, Mrs. C. S. Textbook of nursing.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS—NON-FICTION.

- Adams, J. H. Harper's electricity book for boys.
Andrews, Jane. Ten boys.
Baldwin, James. Fifty famous stories retold.
Benton, C. F. Saturday mornings.
Brooks, Dorothy. Stories of the red children.
Canfield, Dorothy. What shall we do now?
Chisholm, Louey. Golden staircase.
Coffin, C. C. Boys of '61.
Dole, N. H. Young citizen.
Jewett, Mrs. F. G. Good health.
Lang, Andrew. Blue fairy book.
Lang, Andrew. Blue true story book.
Lodge & Roosevelt. Hero tales from American history.
Long, W. J. Ways of wood folk.
McManus, Blanche. Little Hindu cousin.
Miller, O. T. First book of birds.
Moffett, Cleveland. Careers of danger and daring.
Mulock, Mrs. D. M. Little lame prince.
Norton, C. E. ed. Heart of oak books 1-4.
Stokes, Susan. Ten common trees.
Seton, E. T. Wild animals I have known.

CHILDREN'S BOOKS—FICTION.

Aanrud, Hans. Lisbeth Longfrock.
Alcott, L. M. Little women.
Alcott, L. M. Little men.
Altsheler, J. A. Young trailers.
Carroll, Lewis. Alice in wonderland.
Coolidge, Susan. What Katy did.
French, H. W. Lance of Kanana.
Grinnell, G. B. Jack among the Indians.
Hopkins, W. J. The sandman: his sea stories.
Jackson, H. H. Nelly's silver mine.
Kipling, Rudyard. Jungle book.
Major, Charles. Bears of Blue River.
Munroe, Kirk. Flamingo feather.
Otis, James. Toby Tyler.
Pier, A. S. Boys of St. Timothy's.
Rankin, Mrs. C. W. Dandelion cottage.
St. Nicholas. Stories of royal children.
Spyri, Johanna. Heidi.
Trimmer, Mrs. S. K. History of the robins.
White, E. O. When Molly was six.
Wiggin, K. D. Rebecca of Sunnybrook farm.

ADULT FICTION.

Austin, J. G. Standish of Standish.
Barrie, James. Little minister.
Bryant, Marguerite. Christopher Hibbault, roadmaker.
Churchill, Winston. The crisis.
Connor, Ralph. Sky pilot.
Cooper, J. F. The spy.
Dickens, Charles. Tale of two cities.
Duncan, Norman. Dr. Luke of the Labrador.
Glasgow, Ellen. Romance of a plain man.
Howells, W. D. Rise of Silas Lapham.
Kelly, Myra. Little citizens.
Lane, E. M. Nancy Stair.
Montgomery, L. M. Anne of Green Gables.
Ollivant, Alfred. Bob, son of Battle.
Phelps, E. S. A singular life.
Porter, G. S. Freckles.
Scott, Walter. Ivanhoe.
Smith, F. H. Tom Grogan.
Stevenson, R. L. Treasure island.
White, W. A. A certain rich man.
Wister, Owen. The Virginian.

A LIST OF BOOKS FURNISHED FROM THE ANNUAL AID FUND.

Adams, J. H. Harper's electricity book for boys.
 Aanrud, Hans. Lisbeth Longfrock.
 Bostock, F. C. Training of wild animals.
 Bullen, F. T. Cruise of the Cachalot.
 Carruth, F. W. Those Dale girls.
 Cipriani, L. C. A Tuscan childhood.
 Dix, B. M. Soldier Rigdale.
 Doubleday, Russell. Cattle ranch to college.
 Du Chaillu, Paul. Land of the long night.
 Grinnell, G. B. Jack among the Indians.
 Jewett, S. O. Betty Leicester.
 Little, Frances. Lady of the decoration.
 Lorimer, Norma. By the waters of Sicily.
 Major, Charles. Bears of Blue River.
 Marriott, Crittenden. Uncle Sam's business.
 Moffett, Cleveland. Careers of danger and daring.
 Montgomery, L. M. Anne of Green Gables.
 Ollivant, Alfred. Bob, son of Battle.
 Palmer, G. H. Life of Alice Freeman Palmer.
 Penfield, Frederic. East of Suez.
 Pier, A. S. Boys of St. Timothy's.
 Rankin, Mrs. C. W. Dandelion cottage.
 Riis, Jacob. Making of an American.
 Roberts, C. G. D. Heart of the ancient wood.
 Steiner, E. A. On the trail of the immigrant.
 Taggart, M. A. Little gray house.
 Talbot, E. T. My people of the plains.
 Vaile, Mrs. C. M. Orcutt girls.
 Wade, M. H. Our little Esquimo cousin.
 Williams, Archibald. Romance of modern exploration.

LIST OF TOWNS RECEIVING ANNUAL AID IN 1909.

Addison,	Fairlee,	Highgate,
Andover,	Georgia,	Jericho,
Athens,	Granby,	Johnson,
Braintree,	Greensboro,	Kirby,
Brighton,	Groton,	Lincoln,
Cambridge,	Guildhall,	Pomfret,
Chelsea,	Guilford,	Reading,
Fairfax,	Hartland,	Salisbury,

Shoreham,
Stamford,
Stowe,
Thetford,
Townshend,

Underhill,
Vernon,
Waterford,
Westfield,
Westford,

Weston,
West Fairlee,
West Haven,
Windham.

LIST OF TOWNS RECEIVING ANNUAL AID IN 1910.

Addison,
Andover,
Athens,
Bakersfield,
Barnard,
Braintree,
Bridport,
Cambridge,
Canaan,
Castleton,
Charleston,
Chelsea,
Chittenden,
Cornwall,
Fairlee,
Glover,

Granby,
Greensboro,
Groton,
Hartland,
Hinesburg,
Hyde Park,
Jericho,
Johnson,
Kirby,
Landgrove,
Middletown,
Pawlet,
Peru,
Pittsfield,
Plymouth,
Pomfret,

Reading,
Richmond,
Royalton,
Ryegate,
Shoreham,
Thetford,
Underhill,
Vernon,
Waterford,
Westford,
West Haven,
Wheelock,
Whitingham,
Wilmington,
Windham,

LIBRARY NOTES.

ADDISON.—Public Library, Mrs. M. A. Smith, librarian.—New books have been purchased and branch libraries in other parts of the town maintained. A Library Club has been formed and a drama given for the benefit of the library.

ANDOVER.—Town Library, Adella E. Stannard, librarian.—Has but \$15.00 per year from the town, yet runs a branch library at Peaseville and last year had a total circulation of 3,242 books, 776 of which was at the branch. Also 2,134 magazines, papers and pamphlets were circulated. Total number of volumes in the library 2,351, many of which have been donated by city visitors, and other libraries. the buying of books has been very carefully and economically done by the librarian who receives no compensation for her services, but is allowed \$1.00 per year for postage. The library is open every day and much work is done for the children and schools. Especial care is taken to supply the children and to suit the tastes of all readers. Average number of borrowers, 70; 28 new cards were issued last year. 10 to 20 books are sent to the branch every two or three months.

BARNARD.—Charles B. Danforth Library, Jennie G. Putnam, librarian.—The Library Club is active and has placed in the bank over \$185.00 toward a building fund. They have purchased new books and have a sociable every fortnight; the local baseball team gives a part of the proceeds of each game.

BARNET.—Public Library, Mrs. Henrietta Willey, librarian.—Electric lights and new book shelves have been put in, and pictures of the first donors hung upon the walls. The building is owned by the town, the ground floor is used for the fire-engine and the second floor for the library. The town gives \$100.00 annually. Gifts of books and magazines have been received. The librarian has tried to establish branch stations in each of the five villages in the town and has succeeded in all but one. The public show a continued interest and a desire for more solid reading.

BARRE.—Aldrich Public Library.—The first year in the new building was a very progressive one, the circulation reaching 69,388. At the end of that year Mrs. Louise L. Boyce, for 36 years actively associated with the public library work in Barre, resigned and since that time the library has been in charge of various young ladies. Mrs. Boyce was for 25 years treasurer and secretary of the old Library Association, and at times gave the library room in her house. For eleven years she served as librarian, giving generous, faithful and efficient service for small compensation, and doing much reference work for study clubs and individuals. She was an active member of the State Library Association and a constant attendant at the meetings. Her retirement from the profession is a distinct loss to the Aldrich Library and to the librarians of the state.

BARTON.—Public Library, Frances S. Butler, librarian.—Reading room entirely supported by Woman's Literary Club. Seventeen magazines circulated with good results, after having been used a month on reading table. Also whole volumes of magazines loaned. Those of little value are sold after having been read.

BELVIDERE.—Town Library, Mrs. Mary M. Potter, librarian.—At the town meeting in 1910 the town voted to use \$15.00 for library purposes and to apply for state aid to establish a library, which has been done.

BENNINGTON.—Free Library, Mrs. Mary B. Merrill, librarian.—A new children's room opened and progress made in many ways. A full line of agricultural and technical books added. Town trustees were elected and state aid received in 1909.

BENNINGTON.—Old Academy Library, Mrs. Caroline R. Merrill, librarian.—Library has been made free, and a new printed cata-

log issued. A flower show is held every summer at which about \$90.00 is cleared.

BETHEL.—Public Library, Mary Gilson, librarian.—The books have been moved into a better room. The young people are doing required reading for the schools. A specialty is made of nature books. Great need of a building.

BRADFORD.—Public Library, Mrs. Minnie M. G. Carr, librarian.—A gift of a private library of 65 volumes received.

BRANDON.—Free Public Library, Mrs. Ida J. S. Kingsley, Librarian.—The cataloging has been completed, and a gift of a new catalog case received from Mr. Farr. Appropriation from the town increased \$100. \$250 was raised by the "mle of pennies" plan. The circulation has been larger than ever before.

BRIDPORT.—Town Library, Mrs. W. E. Hough, librarian.—In March, 1909, the town voted to appropriate \$25.00 and apply for state aid. Several hundred books were received from townspeople and remnants of former libraries, so that with the state books there were about 500 volumes to begin with. A card catalog for these was made with state aid, during which time three traveling libraries were in use, and the town hopes to do good work with the books.

BRIGHTON.—Island Pond, Public Library, Leta J. Eaton, librarian.—The school children are greatly interested in nature books with which the library is well equipped. A high school reading course has also been added to the library. There is a growing demand for standard reading

BRISTOL.—Free Library, Kate I. Stewart, librarian.—Hon. W. A. Lawrence is erecting an \$8,000 library building as a gift to the town. Other gifts have been received and the appropriation by the town increased to \$800.00. A new catalog will soon be made. The library received first prize of \$10.00 for the best set of publicity items in local papers in 1909, and received second prize of \$5.00 in 1910.

BROOKFIELD.—Town Library, Mrs. Laura A. Hood, librarian.—The oldest library in the state is still running on the same plan that was inaugurated in 1791. It is opened regularly four times a year and at the last opening 25 people took out 300 books. It was feared that a free town library, open as often as once a week, would injure the circulation of the old library so the vote of the town was disregarded as being too advanced for the time and place.

BURLINGTON.—Fletcher Library, George Dana Smith, librarian.—A branch reading room has been operated during the winter in the Neighborhood House, where a story hour for children was

very popular. For two summers flower tables of both wild and garden flowers have been on exhibition in the entrance room of the main library, the number brought in and the interest aroused in them has been remarkable. List of books on nature and the regular bulletin have been published. The gain in circulation has been 43 per cent, reaching to over 50,000 annually. Seven hundred stereographs have been purchased and circulated. A gift of a beautiful Dutch rug was received from Mrs. Griswold.

BURLINGTON.—University of Vermont Library, Helen B. Shattuck, librarian.—In June, 1909, Miss Edith E. Clarke, after eight years of efficient service, resigned her position as librarian and spent the year following traveling in Europe. Miss Clarke had been the able Secretary-Treasurer of the Vermont Library Association for several years and was widely known and beloved in library circles throughout the state. Her helpful presence at the state meetings will be greatly missed. Miss Helen B. Shattuck from the University of Minnesota, but formerly of Massachusetts, was appointed to succeed Miss Clarke in the library. As usual, the library has received valuable gifts from the university alumni. These are listed elsewhere in the table of gifts.

CALAIS.—Circulating Library, Mrs. Josephine Converse, librarian.—A subscription library nearly 80 years old. On payment of fifty cents one may become a member. There are now 16 members and many more readers, as a member is only one from a family. 1,285 books are cataloged but not all are in circulation. Room was needed, so old volumes were boxed. The books are kept in the school house vestry and may be drawn at any time. Fiction leads and books of army and navy life are next in popularity. There are a goodly number of juvenile books. This year books on nature and agriculture will be purchased. Over \$60.00 was raised by entertainments last year. Librarian receives no salary.

EAST CALAIS.—Circulating Library, Walter J. Coates, librarian.—This association was formed 48 years ago and has 46 shareholders. Tax on shares, 50 cents, rent of shares 75 cents. Twenty-five now draw books. About 1,600 volumes in a condition to go out, largely fiction. About 50 books purchased each year. Money raised in part by entertainments. Library in private house, accessible at all times. No salary for librarian. There is a small library in the village school and one at Adamant.

CAVENDISH.—Proctorsville, Fletcher Library, William Adams, librarian.—The library has a card catalog nearly completed by the Library Association which has put in much good work for two years. Three short plays were given one evening and repeated the next for the benefit of the library, from which \$23.65 was raised. \$60.00 has been expended for books the past year.

CHARLESTON.—Town Library, Grace E. Knight, librarian.—In 1909 a library was established with state aid. Formerly only a reading circle had existed in West Charleston. The state books were divided and a part of the library placed in each end of the town. Traveling libraries have also been circulated and good work done with schools. The town appropriates \$25.00 annually.

CHELSEA.—Public Library, Nellie M. Corwin, librarian.—Gifts of over 1,000 volumes have been recently received. A branch library in the western part of the town has been established.

CHESTER.—Whiting Library, C. Ginevra Pollard, librarian.—Magazines are circulated after the first month with splendid results. Repairs on the interior are now being made.

COLCHESTER.—Winooski Free Library, Estelle M. Packard, librarian.—About 1,000 volumes have been added by gift or purchase since the library was started, also a gift of \$100 has been received from the Progressive Club. Nine hundred borrowers are reported and the reading room is taxed to its utmost every evening. Larger rooms and a building are greatly needed.

DERBY.—Haskell Free Library, O. M. Carpenter, librarian.—Number of readers enrolled, over 1,000, 236 of which were added last year. Circulation has increased to an average of 1,200 per month. About 300 books added each year. Many valuable gifts of rare books, papers and periodicals were received. Six hundred stereoscopic views of foreign lands have been purchased for circulation. New fire escapes, costing about \$300 have been placed on the building.

FAIRFAX.—Free Library, Mrs. W. D. Stewart, librarian.—Interest and circulation increasing. Books have been placed in the village school and sent to remote parts of the town.

FAIR HAVEN.—Free Library, Ellen F. Dewey, librarian.—The ladies of the Monday Club assist the librarian in mending books and have given the library the "Readers' Guide" for 1910.

GEORGIA.—Free Library, Cora C. Webster, librarian.—More readers, and greater interest than ever before.

GLOVER.—Town Library, H. N. Davis, librarian.—State aid was asked and granted for the establishment of a library in 1909. The town voted \$25.00 for library purposes.

GRAFTON.—Public Library, Mrs. Thaddeus Park, librarian.—Valuable gifts of books received. Schools supplied with books on subjects studied.

GREENSBORO.—Free Library, Mrs. Frances B. Jackson, librarian.—Special efforts being made to keep books in repair and to have the public take better care of them. More books circulated to children and to schools.

GUILDHALL.—Public Library, Minnie A. Ford, librarian.—Money raised by a sociable for purchase of 30 new books and a clock. Other gifts of magazines received.

GUILFORD.—Free Library, E. W. Legate, librarian.—Valuable gift of books from an old resident.

HARTFORD.—Public Library, Fanny L. Wright, librarian.—The Ladies' Reading Club, composed of 60 ladies, meet in the upper hall of the library every week. The books discussed in these meetings are placed in the library. One of the trustees supplies the library with 25 of the best periodicals for the reading room. Especial care is taken of children's reading.

HARTFORD.—White River Junction, Gates Memorial Library.—The Ladies' Club has earned enough the past year to pay all running expenses, and has added something to the permanent fund without touching any interest. Gifts have been received of 206 volumes and \$100 in cash. The library has been opened two evenings each week besides the regular time of two afternoons. Village improvement work and work for the G. A. R. has also been done by the Club.

HARTFORD.—Quechee, Association Library, Alice S. Chadwick, librarian.—The famous Band Stand Library became too small and has been sold. The library has been moved into a beautiful little building erected for the purpose by the Quechee Library Association. A sum of \$5,000 was raised by subscription and entertainments for the building, and the purchase of books. The building is 22 x 32 feet, of brick, simple in design and admirably adapted to its purpose. The wainscoating and interior finish is of birch with mahogany stain. The walls are of a delicate green and are matched in color by the lamp-shades and window-seat cushions. The rugs harmonize finely with the other colors of the interior and a fireplace adds to the cheerfulness of the room. The furniture is of mahogany including a large table for the librarian's use and a reading table on which are found most of the leading magazines. The building is heated by a furnace in the basement. This is a large room, the walls and floor of cement, part of which can be used for storage if necessary. Total cost, about \$3,000. Architect, Louis S. Newton of Hartford; Contractor, Placid Adams of White River Junction. There are 1,295 volumes in the library, cataloged and classified by the Dewey system.

HARTLAND.—Public Library, Mrs. Robert Lansing, librarian.—The books have been recataloged and moved into the new and attractive village room where the Nature Club and Y. M. C. A. also meet. Unusually fine work has been done by the Nature Club which has all the school children in town enrolled in membership.

One hundred volumes have been added the past year and two branch libraries are maintained, one at North Hartland and one at Four Corners. Pressing need of a library building.

HIGHGATE.—Public Library, Josephine H. Lyon, librarian.—Circulation has greatly increased. Gift of about 90 fine volumes received from Capt. H. C. Meigs of Baltimore, Md.

HINESBURG.—Public Library, Mary A. Miles, librarian.—Increase in interest and number of volumes. Work with schools is being done.

ISLE LA MOTTE.—Free Public Library, Cynthia N. Ritchie, librarian.—Increased number of patrons. A handkerchief bazaar recently held. The grounds have been graded and flower beds kept up.

JERICHO.—Public Library, Mrs. Jennie W. Hart, librarian.—The books have been classified and cataloged and moved into a new room which has been newly painted, and had new cases put in. Two branch libraries are kept up and every school in town has been supplied with collections of books. The library is keeping up to date in every respect.

JOHNSON.—Public Library.—The new building was dedicated November 10, 1907, and opened to the public for use the following Saturday. This library is the result of ten years of effort on the part of the Oread Literary Club of Johnson, a club comprised entirely of women. Their success in accumulating a fund sufficient to build even so modest a structure is remarkable in view of the fact that the community is a small one, composed entirely of people of moderate means. It furnishes a striking example of what can be accomplished by a company of women working together in a common cause.

Soon after its organization in 1899, this club began to work with the view of raising money for a library building, and from that time on all the money realized from sales, entertainments, suppers, etc., was promptly placed at interest where it would be "earning while they slept." Little by little the fund grew, until the club saw the possibility of increasing it by popular subscription to such proportions as to warrant the beginning of work on the building. The problem of securing a site was a difficult one. At last, however, Mrs. Josie L. Pierce, one of the club members, consented to sell a lot east of her house on Railroad Street, and Hon. C. H. Stearns purchased the same and presented it to the club to use as a site for the library building.

The plans and specifications for the building were made by Mr. A. C. Rockwell of Proctor, Vt., and the work of construction was done, under contract, by A. H. Manley of Enosburgh Falls, and

is, in the main, thoroughly well done and satisfactory. The building, which is 30 x 40 feet, one story with basement, is handsomely built of brick, with granite trimmings and steps. The basement and underpinning are of reenforced concrete, and the roof of slate. The style of the building, while simple and plain, is pleasing, giving an impression of solidity and appropriateness. It stands well back from the street surrounded by an ample lawn. Two large plate glass windows are in front, one on each side of the entrance. The interior is attractively and conveniently planned, being all in one large room with an alcove at each corner. The ceiling in the main part of the room is arched, which gives the room a spacious appearance. On entering the building one steps first into the vestibule from which a baize covered, swinging door admits to the main room. Directly opposite this door is the fire-place and mantel, built entirely of red brick. Abundant light is furnished on all four sides of the room and at night it is made brilliant by thirty-three electric lights. The interior wood work is of brown ash especially selected for the beautiful grain of the wood. This is finished with Flemish stain and waxed which gives a very rich effect. The walls and ceiling are painted in a soft tint to harmonize with the woodwork. The east end of the room is furnished with wall shelves for the books, space being provided for about 5000 volumes, and more can be added as required. The Librarian's desk is near by, while at the opposite end of the room is a beautiful carved inlaid reading table with chairs to match, gift of Mr. Frank Waterman of Minneapolis, in memory of his father and mother. The handsome hard wood floor which is of selected, clear, red birch is partially covered by five large Axminster rugs, in soft reds and browns, all of the same pattern and shades, which gives to the room a cheerful, homelike appearance. The basement is well lighted and equipped with a first class furnace, and a modern toilet room.

The town is to be congratulated on having such a fine, well equipped home for its public library. The cost of the building, equipment, furnishings, grading of the lot etc. has been about \$4300.

LANDGROVE.—Public Library, Mrs. Gracie M. Harris Librarian.—An old creamery building was given to the library and sold for about \$25.00 which was used for new books, of which there is great need.

LONDONDERRY.—South Londonderry Library Association, Geo. A. Coombs, Librarian.—Seventy-five dollars have been spent for new books and 100 volumes added in the past year. Every Christmas \$50 is received from a friend. A library building is much needed so that the library can be made free.

LUDLOW.—Fletcher Memorial Library, Frances M. Pierce,

librarian.—Besides supplying the village schools with books, school-room libraries have been sent to four district schools in Ludlow and to schools in the towns of Cavendish, Mt. Holly and Plymouth. Two classes from the Academy have received instruction in the use of the card catalog and the arrangement of books in the library. Type-written copies of the lists of required reading are kept on the delivery desk and are in constant demand. Twenty-six sets of stereoscopic views have been circulated 83 times, besides being used daily in the library. The teachers have made good use of them in the schools. Annotated lists of new books have been sent to the local papers, also lists on special subjects and other library items. Copies of an annotated list on Agriculture were distributed through the Grange in Ludlow, Mt. Holly and Cavendish. Over 220 varieties of wild flowers were exhibited on the flower table last year. Most of the specimens were supplied by townspeople. Five hundred and forty-six volumes have been added, and a small collection of large photographs of Florence. The souvenir postal collection is kept in albums on the reading room tables and is much enjoyed by visitors. A set of bright colored rag books for little children has been very popular. During the year collections from the Library Art Club have been on exhibition.

LUNENBURG.—Alden Balch Memorial Library, Julia R. White, librarian.—Books have been sent to each district school each term, with excellent results, which have well paid for the extra labor. Greater use has been made of the reading room by the young people. A gift of \$1,500 was left by an old resident. The new catalog has been completed and partly copied in the town report. Every effort is made to keep the library up to date.

LYNDONVILLE.—Cobleigh Public Library, Elizabeth Hills, librarian.—Circulation of books and magazines and interest of the public increasing. A children's story hour was held every Saturday through the winter, in charge of the Woman's Club, with an average attendance of thirty children. This has brought a large increase in the number of juvenile readers. At Christmas time the library was decorated with evergreens which were left up until Twelfth Night, and at New Year's a reception was held in the library from 2 to 5 P. M. by the Woman's Club, to which every one was invited. Coffee, tea and wafers were served to a large number and the occasion was so enjoyed that the event will be repeated. An exhibit of wild flowers has been on the tables during the summer months, over 200 in all, many of them rare plants, and from other towns. The Woman's Club has given \$350 to the town, the income of which is to be used for the purchase of books for the library. The club has earned \$800 for library purposes, \$450 of which was used to furnish the trustees' room. They have also

raised \$50.00 by subscription for magazines and papers for the reading room. Many gifts have also been received from Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Vail.

MANCHESTER.—Mark Skinner Library, Eleanor Eggleston, librarian.—More new readers' cards have been sold, and a children's flower table has been started with good results.

MIDDLEBURY.—Ladies' Library.—Books for use in schools have been made free to the pupils, and juvenile books have been distributed among the school districts.

MIDDLEBURY.—College Library.—Etta M. Clark, librarian. Mr. Herbert Boyce has resigned his position as librarian and gone to the University of Michigan to do post-graduate work in Semitics and Greek, leaving many friends at College and among the librarians. Miss Etta M. Clark, formerly of Montpelier, came from the Brooklyn Public Library to take his place and reports a new annual appropriation for the library of \$3,000, and gifts of \$600. Over 2,000 volumes have been added in the past year, about 500 of which are to form the nucleus of the library of the new department of Pedagogy. The entire collection is being recataloged and the Newark charging system installed.

MONTPELIER.—Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Evelyn S. Lease, librarian.—Miss Mary E. Macomber, for 14 years librarian, died after a short illness at her home in Montpelier, January 5, 1909. Miss Macomber had been connected with library work all her life and left many friends in the city. She had been both President and Vice-President of the Vermont Library Association and a faithful attendant at the meetings where she will be greatly missed. In recent years her physical condition did not keep pace with her ambition, but she labored earnestly and capably under the circumstances. Miss Evelyn S. Lease, first assistant in the library, was appointed to succeed her. In the following autumn Miss Lease spent several weeks observing the work done in the large libraries in Newark, Pittsburg, and Cleveland. The library is now being re-cataloged by Miss Rebecca Wright of Montpelier, and the Modified Newark Charging System is being put in. Several hundred stereoscopic views have been purchased for use in the schools. School work and the publication of book-lists has been kept up as heretofore and also three traveling libraries sent to rural districts. Study clubs and teachers are encouraged to hold their meetings in the library hall. Book-lists on Agriculture and Domestic Economy have been printed and distributed through the neighboring Granges.

MORETOWN.—Free Library, Florence A. Haylett, librarian.—Town appropriation increased to \$50.00. Money has also been raised by subscription for new books.

MORRISTOWN.—Centennial Library, Oella A. Thompson, librarian.—Increase in circulation and purchase of books. Much interest in local history collection and in the distribution of periodicals.

NEWBURY.—Tenney Memorial Library, Frances M. Atkinson, librarian.—Time of opening has been increased from two to three times per week. Circulation has been the largest in its history, an average of over 61 per day. Over 300 new books added the past year and borrowers increased by 115. Children especially are interested and the village schools are well supplied. Some valuable stereoscopic views have been donated and more will be added later. \$95.00 in cash has been received. Among the special book funds is one for local history. About 75 volumes already are in this department, containing much valuable genealogy. The library also contains many interesting old papers, several dating back more than one hundred years. Among them a long document written by Gen. Burgoyne with his signature attached. Besides this there are signatures of Gen. Washington, John Jay, Witherspoon, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, and Gov. Chittenden. Two branch libraries are kept in other parts of the town. Reading room supplied with 24 periodicals. Total number of books, 6,500.

NEWPORT.—Goodrich Memorial Library, Lizzie M. Sargent, librarian.—Increased patronage of reading room and reference room. Teachers allowed 10 books at a time.

NORTHFIELD.—Brown Public Library, Ellen L. Brown, librarian.—About 500 children's books have been given by Mr. George W. Brown, donor of the library, and a portion of the reference room has been given over to the children. Here the books were on exhibition for several days before being circulated. The library owns a case of valuable historical relics, and to this has lately been added a letter written to the grandfather of Mr. Brown by Gov. Chas. Paine in 1828.

NORTHFIELD.—Norwich University Library, Helen Cramton, librarian.—Miss Bessie Silverthorn, for one year assistant and for the past two years librarian, has resigned her position here to become first assistant in the Kellogg-Hubbard library in Montpelier. Miss Silverthorn was very efficient and made many friends in the University who will regret her departure. Miss Helen Cramton of the University of Vermont will succeed Miss Silverthorn.

NORWICH.—Public Library, Mary F. Olds, librarian.—New shelves have been added to the reading room and main room. Library supported by annual fees, 75 cents per year, or 25 cents

for three months. Books may be kept four weeks without fines. Forty-eight readers.

ORWELL.—Free Library. Addie M. Raymond, librarian.—A gain in circulation of 242 books and 395 magazines. Reading lists for the Women's Club have been prepared, also one on Champlain. Teachers have special privileges.

PEACHAM.—Juvenile Library Association, Mrs. Kate I. Hutchinson, librarian.—One thousand one hundred books given to the library recently. An old store has been purchased, repaired and fitted up by generous subscription, and one side is used as a library and reading room. The other side is used as a store. Cost of building, \$500; repairs for library, \$150. Total number of volumes, 3,445, not free.

PITTSFORD.—Maclure Library, Bertha M. Shaw, librarian.—A new children's room has been built, the gift of Dr. Henry F. Walker of New York. Teachers' meetings have been held, at one of which Dr. Swift gave a talk on Vermont ferns, illustrated with the lantern. Special work has been done with schools. Cosmos and other pictures have been loaned with burlap rolls on which to hang them. List of additions to the catalog has been published, also an excellent classified list of outdoor books.

PLYMOUTH.—Free Library, C. M. Hall, librarian.—There are three libraries in this town, a subscription library of 300 volumes at Plymouth Union and one at Tyson of 1,000 volumes, and in March, 1909, a free library was established by the town with state aid. This has been well patronized and has done work with schools and circulated traveling libraries from the state.

POMFRET.—Abbott Memorial Library, Mrs. Abba Doton Chamberlin, librarian.—Each school house in town has been made a branch library, bearing that sign, and every term two sets of books are sent from the main library, one of 12 volumes for the children and the other of 40 volumes for adults. Any school whose pupils will make a little book case will be furnished with books on animals by Mrs. Frank Mackenzie. These books will especially emphasize humane treatment. A fine set of blotters has been distributed, each one bearing a picture of an animal with directions for its care. A roll of honor is kept in the library, and the children of each school send in samples of their best work which are kept on exhibition for 12 weeks and those pupils having the best department have their names placed on the roll. The librarian has visited every school and given talks to the children on manners and morals. She also spent some time in the Newark, N. J., library learning book mending. A sermon and song service were given in the library each Sunday during the winter. The library

and the Grange have worked together for the past year. Additions are constantly being made to the relic room and portrait album. Many gifts of books, money, pictures and historical material have been received. A library symbol, gift of Mrs. Mackenzie, hangs over the fireplace and has been copied on letter heads and envelopes. The local papers have been supplied every week with news for which the librarian was awarded first publicity prize this year. Trees have been planted and picnics, parties, receptions and lectures have frequently been held at the library which is the center of all social life in the town. No fines are charged on overdue books. The Hosea Doton fund for a permanent endowment is being raised. A pamphlet will soon be issued, describing the work of this library in detail, and an exhibit of its work will be shown at the Windsor county fair.

PROCTOR.—Public Library, Mary Kendrick Norton, librarian.—An out-door bazaar was held two evenings at which \$600 was raised. Story hours for school children have been held, picture exhibits and art contests, and book lists have been printed for the public. For the past two years a Travel Club for young women has been conducted. Receptions with refreshments have been given to the school teachers, and tea has been served to the ladies of the town. On New Year's day the library kept open house for the townspeople. Special pictures adorned the walls and new books were placed around on little tables. It is hoped to make the library a social center.

PUTNEY.—Public Library, Freeda C. Pember, librarian.—Special privileges are given to teachers who may take all the books they wish for school for an indefinite period.

RANDOLPH.—Kimball Public Library, Alice C. McIntyre, librarian.—Picture bulletins are made for the children, and a list of birds, as they arrive, has been posted. Pictures of birds and flowers, and books have been lent to the village schools. An increase in the use of the reference room reported.

READING.—Public Library, Minnie C. Fay, librarian.—Circulation of books is very good, especially of non-fiction, more than one book is allowed each patron and people living at a distance may keep books six weeks. Back numbers of magazines have been sent to other parts of the town. Teachers may have all the books they wish and graded lists of books have been made for schools. \$5,000 has been left to the library by Clarence W. Marks of Chicago.

RICHFORD.—Arvin A. Brown library, Mrs. A. K. Brown, librarian.—Increased circulation. Reference books are loaned with an extension of time.

RICHMOND.—Free Library, Helen M. Kimball, librarian.—This town had a collection of books and an endowment left by Jonas Barber many years ago, but it was thought best to have library trustees elected by the town and apply for state aid. This was done, and in 1909 the library opened in new rooms. The year previous many of the old books had been destroyed by fire. Collections of books are to be sent to every rural school in town. A reading room is to be opened for at least two days in a week. The number of patrons has been greater than ever before and the standard of reading has been raised. A new library building is needed.

ROCHESTER.—Free Library, Helen McCray, librarian.—An increased demand by teachers for books to use in schools.

ROCKINGHAM.—Free Public Library, Mrs. E. J. Plantier, librarian.—The principal event at Bellows Falls has been the open-



ROCKINGHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, BELLOWS FALLS.

ing of the new building for which Andrew Carnegie gave \$15,000, and the town \$7,000. The building is situated on a commanding site overlooking the Connecticut river and facing Mt. Kilburn. It is built of gray brick, Roman size, and trimmed with artificial stone.

The steps are of granite with buttresses at each end. Two pillars of artificial stone, 18 inches in diameter and 16 feet high, supporting the arch at the side of the door, form the porch. The exterior is painted and sanded to match the artificial stone, the front is 60 feet long and the depth is 49 feet; height, a story and a half. A large bay window is at each end. The foundation is of concrete with a twelve-inch granite base. The basement has a cement floor and is ten feet high, and contains the furnace and book stacks of the old library, later it will be finished off. The first floor consists of vestibule, delivery room, stack room, reading room, children's room, reference room, librarian's room, toilet room and rear hall, and contains two open fire places. The vestibule and delivery room floors are of marble and terrazzo; the woodwork and other floors are of white oak. On the second floor are the cases containing a natural history collection and a lecture hall finished in white-wood with enamel coating. McLean & Wright of Boston were architects and J. D. Cote, contractor. The first library in town was incorporated by the legislature in 1799; various library societies have succeeded this; of the present board Hon. A. N. Swain has been a moving spirit for many years. A card catalog is soon to be made and a supplement to the printed catalog. The library has joined the Library Art Club from which it receives many fine exhibits. The manual training classes of the public schools also send exhibits to the library. Magazines are circulated and reference work has increased. Number of volumes, about 12,000.

ROYALTON.—Free Public Library, Mary E. Whitney, librarian.—A library room is now established in each of the two villages with a librarian for each, one in the town clerk's office and one in the high school building. A new card catalog has been made, and cases for circulation of books in district schools are to be purchased. A greater interest and circulation are reported.

RUTLAND.—Free Library, Lucy D. Cheney, librarian.—A children's hour has been held by a professional story teller. The attendance has been so great that the stories have been given in High School Assembly Hall, to 250 children. Lists of Yule-tide and astronomical books have been printed, and monthly sky maps have been on the bulletin board which have attracted much attention. The reading room has been opened Sundays, and the last annual circulation of books and pictures has increased to 64,686, with a drop of 1 per cent in fiction. A supplement to the printed catalog has been issued and many gifts reported.

RYEGATE.—Free Public Library, Mrs. C. F. Smith, librarian.—Maintains two branches; special privileges to teachers and schools. Great need of new books.

ST. JOHNSBURY.—Athenaeum, Rev. E. T. Fairbanks, librarian.—A bequest of \$25,000 has been received. Circulation and interest have increased. Books for topical study are sent to schools and assorted lists of books placed on reference table for pupils.

SHELBURNE.—Free Library, Miss H. E. Tracy, librarian.—A Library Building Club has been organized which has increased to 75 members, and which has raised nearly a thousand dollars for the purpose. One hundred has been given by Ex-Gov. Barstow, and the town has voted to place 10 per cent. of its grand list on interest for building provided the Club raises \$1500 on or before February 1, 1911.

SOUTH HERO.—Public Library, Miss Mary Allen, librarian.—A few ladies of the town are making plans to raise money for a small library building.

SPRINGFIELD.—Town Library Mrs. Kate W. Barney, librarian.—Lists have been issued on the following and other subjects,—Fiction men like, Books and stories about Christmas, Cheerful stories, Railroad and Detective stories, Helpful books on farming, Books about Lincoln, Longfellow and Washington, the last named were type-written with illustrated covers by pupils in the High School. Special attention has been paid to books for small children. About 30 new primers and first readers were purchased, and groups of grades one and two were invited to inspect them on little tables which they did with great delight. The list on agriculture was distributed to all grangers and farmers in town. Books for special readers have been borrowed from the Boston Public and the Forbes library, and books for ministers from the Boston Theological library. The library contains complete patent office files. The study club has met at the library and traveling libraries and pictures have been borrowed from the state for them. Gifts of books and \$50 have been received. New and old books have been particularly advertised. Every two weeks from 100 to 150 books are sent to the branch delivery station in North Springfield. The circulation of magazines is continued and the interest of the town continues unabated. The circulation averages 148 books per day, nearly 50,000 annually. Publicity items have been supplied regularly to the local papers.

STOWE.—Free Library, Mrs. M. A. Jenney, librarian.—A better class of books has been called for and an attempt is made to supply books needed for school use.

STRAFFORD.—Harris Library, Mrs. Helen D. Moore, librarian.—A bequest of \$5000 has been received from the late C. S. Barrett of Cleveland. Especial work is done with nature study in the schools, one district school reported 57 varieties of wild flowers

the first three weeks of school. Two traveling libraries which were much appreciated have been sent to neighborhoods remote from the library and another will be sent out soon. Two book cases have been given to Mrs. Ferris of Glens Falls.

SWANTON.—Free Library, Elizabeth Rogers, librarian.—The King's Daughters continue their efforts for the library, and have received an offer of a building lot for the library in a fine location. Their building fund has increased to \$2000. At a library week celebration in 1908, \$1500 was raised. The birthday party has been held every year. Gifts at the last one amounted to \$100. Special work is done with schools and study clubs. Strips for a mile of pennies have been distributed.

THETFORD.—Latham Memorial Library, Mrs. F. E. Garey, librarian.—Circulation and interest increasing. A branch library has been opened in the most distant part of the town. Lists of new books received have been put up in the Post Office with excellent results. Five traveling library stations have been established.

UNDERHILL.—Town Library, Mrs. Leslie Terrill, librarian.—The library has been moved into a new room and the interest increased. Books and pictures are to be sent to each school in the fall.

VERGENNES.—City Library, Adella V. Ingham, librarian.—A gratifying increase in the number of borrowers during the year, especially children who may now take books for school use free. It is hoped that work on the new Bixby Memorial building may commence soon.

VERSHIRE.—Public Library, Mrs. F. J. Akerman, librarian.—A new board of trustees and new librarian have been elected, and \$75.00 worth of new books will soon be bought and work with schools will be begun.

WALLINGFORD.—Gilbert Hart Library, May L. Congdon, librarian.—A new children's room, 12 x 30, making a double room connected by an archway will be completed by September. It is to be finished in quartered oak with a cross beam ceiling. Donor Capt. Hart of Detroit. Two branch libraries continue in operation and the schools in town have been supplied with books. Exhibits of school work have been held and wild flowers supplied by the children. Application has been made for a state forestry exhibit. Excellent work done in all departments.

WARDSBORO.—Free Library, Mrs. L. S. Axtell, librarian.—Mr. James M. Gleason has built and presented to the town the Gleason Memorial Hall, which contains a large room for the

library. It is provided with handsome book cases with sliding glass doors, and new furniture, including chairs, tables, stove and chandelier.

WATERBURY.—Public Library, Mrs. Alice M. Smith, librarian.—The library has been recataloged, on cards, and the first number of bulletin of additions issued. Several books are sent to the branch at Waterbury Center every month. All schools in town are supplied with packages of books. Notices of new books added each month are sent to the local papers. Circulation has increased 10 per cent. Waterbury Inn is the only hotel in the state to operate a free circulating library for the benefit of its guests. It has several hundred carefully selected volumes which are added to frequently and which the traveling public greatly appreciate.

WEATHERSFIELD.—Proctor Library, Nellie P. Blanchard, librarian.—During the summer exhibits have been held of local amateur photography, wood carving, embroidery and handwork, flowers and nature study collections.

WEST FAIRLEE.—Town Library, Maude A. Bliss, librarian.—Gifts received from the Embroidery Club of books, magazines, etc.

WESTON.—Wilder Memorial Library, Nanna J. French, librarian.—In July, 1909, the books were moved into the new Wilder Memorial building, presented by the heirs of John Wilder, one of the early inhabitants of the town. His descendants purchased the old brick building in which he had once lived and used for an office and store house, and remodeled it entirely at a cost of about \$5,000. The inside is finely finished in oak with gothic arches and grill work overhead. Oak book cases, furniture and all the material for a card catalog were also donated. The cataloging has been completed and the people are enjoying the reading room and use of the books very much. Over 800 visitors have registered in the visitors' book. Six hundred eighty-nine books and 132 magazines were circulated the first six months. A complete collection of the children's books, published by Ginn, have been donated by a member of the firm. All the district schools are to be supplied with collections of books.

WHEELOCK.—Public Library, Mrs. G. L. Gerry, librarian.—Books will be circulated in all the schools in the fall. Interest of townspeople very good.

WHITING.—Town Library, Mrs. C. Mason, librarian.—State aid was asked and granted for establishing a library in March, 1909, and the town appropriated \$15.00.

WILLISTON.—Public Library, Sylvia A. Warren, librarian.—Library continues to grow slowly in books and interest. A card

catalog has been made and the children have been interested in nature study.

WILMINGTON.—Pettee Memorial Library, Kathleen Parmlee, librarian.—A bequest of \$1,000 has been received from Oscar M. Lawton, gift of 57 volumes from Mr. J. H. Flagg of New York City. Interest of public continues.

WINDSOR.—Town Library, Marsh O. Perkins, librarian.—A trust fund of \$1,600 received for the support of library work. Increase in circulation and good outlook. A description of the building, pictures of which appear for the first time in this report, may be found in the Fifth Biennial Report.



ROCKINGHAM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY, BELLOWS FALLS
INTERIOR.

WOODSTOCK.—Norman Williams Library, Mrs. O. B. Jaquith, librarian.—Three hundred sixty-eight volumes were added last year, and a few early Woodstock imprints were received. The library is making a collection of early Vermont imprints. A bird list is kept in the library and printed bird lists with blanks for observation have been distributed to the school children. Teachers are allowed an unlimited number of books on school card. Sixty-five periodicals are on the reading room tables. The reading room is open Sundays from 9 to 12 A. M., and from 1 to 9 P. M., and is largely patronized. Seven thousand seven hundred twenty-two borrowers; cards have been issued.

LAWS OF VERMONT RELATING TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

No. 52, Acts 1908. An Act relating to the State Board of Library Commissioners.

APPOINTMENT. VACANCIES.

SECTION 1. A board of five persons, residents of the state, one of whom shall be appointed annually by the governor and whose term of office shall be five years, shall constitute a state board of library commissioners. The governor shall designate the chairman of and fill all vacancies in said board.

ADVICE, REPORT, LIBRARY INSTITUTE.

SEC. 2. The librarian or trustees of a free public library may ask said board for advice in regard to the selection and cataloguing of books and any other matters pertaining to the maintenance or administration of a library, and said board shall give such advice in regard to such matters as it shall find practicable. Said board shall biennially make a report of its doings to the general assembly, at the expense of the state.

For the purpose of rendering assistance to the librarians of free public libraries, said board may annually hold a school of instruction, at such time and place as may best serve the public interest, and the necessary expense of each such librarian in attendance at such school of instruction may be paid by the town, city or incorporated village in which said librarian is employed.

PROVIDE BOOKS FOR PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

SEC. 3. Said board shall, upon the application of the board of library trustees of a town, city or incorporated village, without a free public library owned and controlled by such town, city or incorporated village, expend a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars for books for such town, city, or incorporated village. Such books shall be used by said trustees for the purpose of establishing a free public library, and said board shall select and purchase books so provided.

PROVISION FOR ANNUAL AID.

SEC. 4. In addition to the expenditure of the sum specified in the preceding section, said board may, in its discretion, assist free public libraries as follows:

If a town whose grand list, exclusive of polls, does not exceed ten thousand dollars, through its library trustees satisfies the said board that it has a free public library or libraries, which are doing practical and efficient work for the public benefit and are rendering useful assistance to the public schools of such town, the board may expend such amounts at such times as they may determine, not exceeding one hundred dollars annually for the purchase of books for such free public library or libraries owned and controlled by such town. The total



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amount expended by said board of library commissioners, under this section, shall not exceed one thousand dollars for a year. Said board shall certify to the auditor of accounts the sum or sums required by them under this section and he shall draw orders therefor, payable to said board.

CARE AND CONTROL OF BOOKS.

SEC. 5. If the local authorities of a free public library, any part of whose books have been paid for with state funds,

fail to provide for the safety and public usefulness of such books, and knowledge of this delinquency comes to the attention of said board, it shall notify the trustees of said library in writing of what is necessary to meet the requirements of said board, and, if such trustees neglect to comply with such requirements for a period of sixty days after service of such notice, the books paid for with state money shall be under full and direct control of said board to be used for the public benefit in such manner as to it may seem best.

COMPENSATION. EXPENDITURES.

SEC. 6. No member of said board, except its secretary, shall receive compensation.

Said board may expend not exceeding two thousand dollars, annually, for necessary expenses in the discharge of its duties, including expenses for the transportation of books, and exclusive of the necessary expense of making its report to the general assembly.

It may employ a secretary and pay him such salary as to it seems suitable out of the appropriation herein provided.

The auditor of accounts shall draw an order in favor of said board for sums expended by it under the provisions of this act.

RULES.

SEC. 7. Said board of library commissioners may make necessary rules for its government and for the care of the libraries furnished by the state.

TOWNS.

APPROPRIATIONS.

SEC. 8. A town, city or incorporated village, voting to instruct its board of library trustees to make application to the state board of library commissioners under the fifth preceding section shall annually appropriate for the maintenance of its free public library a sum not less than fifty dollars, if its grand list is ten thousand dollars or over, or a sum not less than twenty-five dollars, if its grand list is less than ten thousand dollars and not less than twenty-five hundred dollars, or a sum not less than fifteen dollars if its grand list is less than

twenty-five hundred dollars; and the proper officer of such town, city or incorporated village shall annually, in the month of September, draw an order on the treasurer of the town, city or incorporated village, payable to such trustees for the amount of such appropriation, without the town, city, or incorporated village having voted such appropriation.

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

SEC. 9. No town, city or incorporated village shall be entitled to the benefits of the first and sixth preceding sections, unless such town, city or incorporated village has elected a board of library trustees and voted to instruct such board to make application to the state board of library commissioners, and said trustees have provided, in a manner satisfactory to the state board of library commissioners, for the care, custody and distribution of the books furnished in accordance with this chapter.

The provisions of sections 24, 25 and 26 hereof shall apply to the election of boards of library trustees under this section, and to said trustees when so elected.

TOWNS ACCEPTING CONDITIONS TO RECEIVE BENEFITS.

SEC. 10. When a town, city or incorporated village has accepted the provisions of the preceding section, the state board of library commissioners shall so certify to the auditor of accounts, who shall draw an order payable to said board for one hundred dollars, to be expended in the purchase of books as provided in the seventh preceding section.

TRAVELING LIBRARIES.

APPROPRIATION.

SEC. 11. The state board of library commissioners may expend a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars, annually, for the purchase of books for traveling libraries and in their necessary equipment, and may also expend a sum not exceeding one hundred fifty dollars, annually, for clerical work in cataloguing and preparing such books for circulation and for other necessary work in connection therewith.

Sums expended under the provisions of this section shall be certified by the chairman of said board to the auditor of

accounts, who shall draw an order for the payment of the same.

MANAGEMENT.

SEC. 12. Said board shall have the full management and control of traveling libraries and make necessary rules and regulations for the use and government of the same.

WHO ENTITLED TO.

SEC. 13. Three or more citizens may organize a library association, and, on compliance with the rules, regulations and requirements of the state board of library commissioners, shall, in the discretion of said board, be entitled to the use of traveling libraries without charge other than for expense of transportation of the same.

A local library, literary or other club, agricultural or other society, grange, college, seminary, university extension center, study circle, or other association shall, on the same terms and in the discretion of the commissioners, have the use of such traveling libraries.

FOR SCHOOLS.

SEC. 14. The superintendent of schools and school directors for the several towns of the state may apply to the state board of library commissioners for traveling libraries for use in schools in their towns and to pay the expenses of transportation of the same from the school funds of their respective towns.

INCORPORATION OF LIBRARIES.

WHEN PROPERTY IS GIVEN TO TRUSTEES.

SEC. 15. Trustees to whom real or personal property is devised, bequeathed, granted, conveyed or donated for the foundation and establishment of a free public library, may, unless otherwise provided by the deviser, grantor or donor of such property, in order to promote the better establishment, maintenance and management of such library, cause a corporation to be formed under the provisions of the three following sections.

INCORPORATION—HOW EFFECTED.

SEC. 16. Said trustees may make, sign and acknowledge and file in the office of the secretary of state a statement in

writing setting forth the intent of said trustees to form a corporation, a copy of the will or instrument by which the endowment of such library is provided, the name adopted for the corporation, which shall not be the name of a corporation already existing, and the town or village in which such library and the principal place of business of such corporation will be located, the number of managers who may be denominated trustees, managers or directors of such corporation, and the names of the trustees, managers or directors who are to constitute the original board and who shall hold office until their successors are



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respectively elected and qualified, as provided in the second following section.

SEC. 17. The secretary of state shall forthwith, upon the filing of such statement in his office, issue to the incorporators under his hand and seal, a certificate of which such statement shall be a part, declaring that the organization of the corporation is perfected. The incorporators shall forthwith cause such certificate to be recorded in the office of the county clerk of the

county in which such library is to be located; and thereupon the corporation shall be deemed fully organized and may proceed to carry out its corporate purposes, and receive by conveyance from the trustees the property provided for the endowment of such library, and may hold the same in whatever form it may have been received or conveyed by said trustees, until such form shall be changed by action of such corporation.

POWERS OF CORPORATION.

SEC. 18. An organization formed under the two preceding sections shall be a body corporate and politic, to be known by the name stated in its certificate or articles of incorporation; and by such corporate name, it shall have and possess the ordinary rights and incidents of a corporation, and shall be capable of taking, holding and disposing of real and personal estate for the purposes of its organization. The provisions of a will, deed or other instrument by which an endowment of a library is provided, and accepted by the trustees, managers or directors shall, as to such endowment, be a part of the organic and fundamental law of such corporation.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 19. The trustees, managers or directors of such corporation shall compose its members and shall not be more than nine nor less than five in number. Said trustees, managers or directors shall elect the officers of the corporation from their number and have control and management of the affairs and property of the same, may accept donations and, in their discretion, hold the same in the form in which they are given for the purposes of science, literature and art germane to the objects and purposes of such corporation. They may fill, by election subject to the approval of the chief judge of the supreme court, vacancies occurring in their number, and may make by-laws for the management of such corporation and library, which by-laws shall set forth the officers of the corporation and define and prescribe their respective duties. They may appoint and employ from time to time agents and employes, as they may deem necessary for the efficient administration and conduct of the library and the other affairs of such corporation. Whenever a trustee, manager or director is elected to fill a

vacancy, a certificate under the seal of the corporation, giving the name of the person elected, shall be recorded in the office of the county clerk where the articles of incorporation are recorded.

EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION.

SEC. 20. Whenever the instrument providing the endowment declares that the institution shall be a free public library, such library and other property of the corporation shall be forever exempt from taxation.

TOWN AND VILLAGE LIBRARIES.

ESTABLISHMENT.

SEC. 21. A town, incorporated village or city may establish and maintain public libraries, with or without branches, for the use of its inhabitants, and may annually contract with a library or library association, incorporated under the general law or by a special act of the general assembly, to furnish books to its inhabitants free, and may appropriate money therefor, and may annually appropriate money for the maintenance, care, increase and support of a library held in trust for such town, incorporated village or city, or the inhabitants thereof.

APPROPRIATION FOR MAINTENANCE.

SEC. 22. A town, incorporated village or city establishing and maintaining a library may appropriate for suitable rooms and buildings and for the foundation of such a library a sum not exceeding three dollars for each ratable poll in such town, incorporated village or city in the preceding year, and may also appropriate annually, for the maintenance, care and increase thereof, such sum of money as such town, incorporated village or city may vote at its annual meeting, and may receive, hold and manage a devise, bequest or gift for a public library.

TRUSTEES.

SEC. 23. A town, incorporated village or city, which has established or shall hereafter establish a public library may elect at its annual meeting a board of five trustees, who shall have full power to manage such public library and to receive, control and manage property which shall come into the hands,

of such town, incorporated village or city by gift, purchase, devise or bequest for the use and benefit of such library.

TRUSTEES' TERM OF OFFICE.

SEC. 24. At the meeting when said trustees are first chosen, they shall be elected for the following terms: one for one year, one for two years, one for three years, one for four years, and one for five years, and until their respective successors are chosen. Their successors shall be elected for the term



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of five years, but a person chosen to fill a vacancy shall serve only for the remainder of the unexpired term.

ANNUAL REPORT.

SEC. 25. Said trustees shall make report to the annual meeting of the town, incorporated village, or city of the condition of the library and of the management and expenditure of such moneys as have come into their hands.

MONEYS—HOW PAID OUT.

SEC. 26. Moneys raised for a library shall be paid out by

an agent to be appointed by the selectmen of a town, the trustees of an incorporated village, or the mayor of a city, unless library trustees have been elected.

UNION OF LIBRARY ASSOCIATIONS.

SEC. 27. Two incorporated library associations in the same town may, by a majority vote of the members of each of such associations, at meetings thereof warned for that purpose, unite and assume the corporate name of either of such associations.

LIBRARIES ENTITLED TO VERMONT DOCUMENTS.

SEC. 28. When a town has established a public library, such town may, at an annual meeting, vote to place in such library a copy of such documents and volumes heretofore received by such town for it or its town clerk's office as it shall designate and also a copy of such documents and volumes hereafter to be received from the state, except the Vermont reports, Vermont Public Documents and other books and documents provided by law to be kept in the town clerk's office, as it shall designate.

The ownership of such books shall continue in the town; but their use shall be enjoyed by the library until such town shall otherwise vote.

BOOKS TO BE DELIVERED BY STATE.

SEC. 29. The state librarian shall deliver to a town public library that has been voted by its town the use of books owned by such town, such duplicate documents and volumes published or provided by the state, as can, in the judgment of the trustees of the state library, be delivered without prejudice to the state library.

Such documents and volumes shall be delivered on application stating what books have already been received from the town, and the property in such documents and volumes shall remain in the state; but their use shall be enjoyed by such public library, until the state librarian is directed by law to demand their return to the state library.

BOOKS TO PUBLIC LIBRARIES NOT ESTABLISHED BY TOWNS.

SEC. 30. When a public library exists in a town and is

not established by it, such town may, at an annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote, make the provisions named in the second preceding section in respect to use by the library of books owned by the town apply to such library; and, in case of such vote, the provisions of the preceding section shall apply to such library the same as if it were established and maintained by such town.

ELIGIBILITY OF WOMEN.

SEC. 3429. A woman twenty-one years of age may be elected or appointed town clerk, town treasurer, and trustee of public libraries, provided she has resided in such town one year preceding such election or appointment.

EXEMPTION FROM TAXATION.

SEC. 496. VI. The following property shall be exempt from taxation:

Real and personal estate granted, sequestered or used for public, pious or charitable uses; real and personal estate used by public and private circulating libraries, open to the public and not used for profit; lands leased by towns for educational purposes; and lands owned or leased by colleges, academies or other public schools, or leased by towns for the support of the gospel; and lands and buildings owned and used by towns for the support of the poor therein; but private buildings on such lands shall be set in the list to the owners thereof, and shall not be exempt.

JAIL LIBRARY.

SEC. 6120. Jailers shall receive books given by Christian churches and benevolent individuals in their respective counties, for a library for persons confined in jail. The jailer shall enter the names of the donors in a book of record, with the titles of the books, which shall be open to the inspection of all persons. The jailer shall be librarian and shall keep safely the books in the library and distribute them to persons confined in jail, and exchange the same from time to time; but he shall not deliver books to a person who in his opinion will destroy or misuse them.

APPROPRIATION FOR STATE PRISON LIBRARY.

SEC. 6083. The board of penal institutions shall appropriate fifty dollars annually, to be expended by the superintendent of

the state prison under its direction in the purchase of books to be added to the library of the state prison.

BOOKS AND PAPERS BELONGING TO LIBRARIES.

SEC. 5855. A person who wilfully and maliciously writes upon or injures a book, plate, picture, engraving or statue belonging to a law, town or public library shall be fined not more than one thousand dollars, nor less than five dollars.



JUVENILE LIBRARY, PEACHAM, READING ROOM.

**GIFTS TO LIBRARIES WHICH HAVE BECOME AVAIL-
ABLE SINCE THE PUBLICATION OF THE
REPORT OF 1908.**

LIBRARY.	DONATION.	DONOR.
Andover	12 vols. 11 vols. 33 vols. 2 vols. Books	B. A. Park. Mrs. Van Epps. A. H. Fuller. Dr. Densmore. Friends.
Bakersfield	20 vols.	Johnathan Barney. Friends.
Brigham Academy . .	6 vols.	King's Daughters.
Barre, Aldrich Public..	Picture of Young St. John Pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Spaulding	
Bennington Center . . .	\$ 100.00	Friends.
Old Academy	601.00 and new	A. G. Farr.
Brandon	catalog case . . . 50.00	E. J. Ormsbee. Friends.
Brattleboro	Small contributions . .	Friends.
Bridport	Books and magazines . .	Ladies' Society and High School.
Bristol	39 vols. 7 vols. \$ 8,000.00 for building.	F. D. Farr. Friends. W. A. Lawrence.
Burke, Burrington . . .	35 vols.	Howard Burrington.
West Burke	\$ 10.00	Village Improvement Society.
Association	Books on Civil War worth \$100.00	Gen. R. C. Hawkins. D. P. Kingsley.
Burlington, U. V. M. . .	Set of challenge reports	Mrs. Chester Griswold.
Burlington, Fletcher . .	Dutch rug	Other libraries.
Cambridge, Cresendo . .	Books	
Castleton Public	100 vols.	Mrs. M. P. Clough.
Cavendish, Fletcher . .	File of magazines . . .	Mrs. Eddy.
Charlotte, Breezy Point	Books	Friends.
Chelsea	900 vols.	Hilas E. Roberts.
Chester, Whiting	Books	Friends.
Colchester, Winooski . .	22 vols.	Ladies' Progressive Study Club.
Cornwall	100 vols. and \$100.00 . .	Reading Club.
Craftsbury, Academy . .	Several vols. magazines.	Friends.
Danville	20 vols.	Marshall Morrill
Dorset	\$ 1,000.00	Mr. Pope and others.
	Books	Miss C. de Wottbeck.
	\$ 30.00	Miss Houghton.
	25.00	Mrs. Crane.
	5.00	Olin Merrill.
Enosburg	400.00	Friend.
Fair Haven	50.00	Mrs. George A. Vail.
Grafton	45 vols.	Friends.
Gulford	5 vols.	Friends.
Hartford	Magazines	Friends.
Gates Memorial	Books	Mrs. T. N. Glover.
	150 vols.	
	\$ 100.00 and 22 vols. works of Dr. Andrew Jackson Davis	Joseph Leighton.
	154 vols. and Gov. His- tory of Civil War . . .	S. E. Pingree.
	Books, magazines, and periodicals	Friend.
Hartland	13 vols.	H. G. Rugg.
	5 vols.	L. E. Lamb.
	9 vols.	Friends.

LIBRARY.	DONATION.	DONOR.
Highgate	92 vols.	Capt. H. P. Meigs.
Hinesburg	10 vols. of Harper's Magazine	Mrs. Kate B. Russell.
	5 vols.	H. M. Page.
	60 vols.	Miss Mary L. Willson.
	10 vols. Saafield's	
	Americanized Ency-	Dr. C. J. Russell.
	clopedia Britannica .	Friends.
	7 vols.	Friends.
Jericho	Books	Friends.
Johnson	Table and chairs	Frank Waterman.
	\$ 50.00	Friend.
Londonderry, South . . .		
Lunenburg		
Alden Balch Memorial	1,450.00	Enos Lamson.
Lyndon, Cobleigh	350.00	Woman's Club.
	125.00	Friends.
Middlebury		
Egbert Starr	500.00	Dr. M. Allen Star.
	50 vols. and \$100.00 . . .	Edward L. Stevens.
Montpellier		
Kellogg-Hubbard	Books	Friends.
Newbury		
Tenney Memorial	\$ 1,500.00	Miss M. J. Tenney.
Northfield, Brown	593 vols.	Geo. W. Brown.
	15 vols. magazines,	
	bound	Ladies' Clubs.
	20 vols.	Friends.
Norwich	Books and \$5.00	Friends.
Orwell	14 vols. and old maga-	Friends.
	zines	
Peacham, Juvenile	1,100 vols.	Col. Geo. Harvey.
	\$ 500.00	Syndicate of twenty
Pittsford, Maclure	600.00 and new	persons for building.
	children's room.	Dr. Henry F. Walker.
	\$ 50.00	Mary J. Eaton.
Plymouth	25.00	Ladies' Social Union.
		John Cotton Dana and
Pomfret	539 vols.	friends.
Abbott Memorial	Stationary photograph	Judge D. T. Carnes.
	album	Mrs. F. S. Mackenzie.
	Library symbol	
	Portraits, old relics, etc.	Friends.
Poultney	101 leather bound vols.	
	of Harper's magazine	Mrs. M. T. Lynde.
Proctor	\$ 212.00	Miss Emily D. Proctor.
Reading	5,000.00	Clarence W. Marks.
Rockingham	15,000.00 building . . .	Andrew Carnegie.
" Vt. Academy	50.00 and books.	Friends.
St. Johnsbury	25,000	Miss Alice Downes.
Sharon	263 vols.	Mrs. W. S. Webb.
Shelburne	41 vols. and \$100.00 . . .	J. Watson Webb.
	19 vols.	Dr. W. S. Webb.
	26 vols.	C. L. Barstow.
	19 vols.	Mrs. Dorsey Taylor.
	186 vols.	Friends.
	4 vols.	Mrs. C. R. Draper.
Sheldon	Encyclopedia	
Shoreham	\$ 40.00	H. M. Barnum.
Platt Memorial	Gifts	Friends.
	\$ 300.00 annually . . .	One of Trustees.
Springfield, Spafford . . .	\$ 5,000	Estate of C. S. Barrett.
Stafford, Harris		
Wallingford	New children's room . . .	Gilbert Hart.
Gilbert Hart	\$ 100.00	Mrs. C. B. Dexter.
Wardsboro	50.00	Mrs. L. M. Blanchard.
	100.00	C. M. Dexter.
	100.00	F. M. Gooding.
	Memorial Hall	James M. Gleason.
Westford	Books	Fortnightly Club and
		Friends.

LIBRARY.	DONATION.	DONOR.
Weston, Wilder	\$ 50.00 and material for cataloging library. 16 vols. Wilder Mem. Building. 45 vols. Books	Lewis J. Parkhurst. Friends. Heirs of John Wilder. B. W. Dodge. C. A. Dodge.
Weybridge, Cotton		
Wilmington Pettee Memorial	\$ 1,000.00 57 vols.	Oscar M. Lawton. John H. Flagg. Friends.
Windham	\$ 15.00 and books.	
Windsor	1,600.00 60.00 annually 60.00 annually 50.00 annually and other gifts. 50.00 30.00	Mrs. C. C. Beeman. Maxwell Evarts. Sherman Evarts. Dr. O. W. Day. Friend.

TOWNS CLASSIFIED AS TO LIBRARIES.

The towns are classified according to their free library privileges as follows:

Class 1.

Towns which have free public libraries owned and controlled by the town and organized with state aid. (All towns in this list marked † were organized without state aid.)

Addison,	†Fair Haven,	Middletown Springs,
Alburg,	Fairlee,	Milton,
Andover,	Fairfax,	Montgomery,
Athens,	Fairfield,	Moretown,
Bakersfield,	Fletcher,	New Haven,
Barnard,	Franklin,	Newport,
Barnet,	Georgia,	Northfield,
Barton,	Glover,	Orange,
Belvidere,	†Grafton,	Orwell,
Bennington,	Granby,	Pawlet,
Benson,	Granville,	Peru,
Braintree,	Greensboro,	Pittsfield,
†Brattleboro,	Groton,	Plymouth,
Bridport,	†Guilford,	Pomfret,
Brighton,	Hardwick,	Poultney,
Bristol,	Hartland,	Putney,
Burke,	Highgate,	Randolph,
Cabot,	Hinesburg,	Reading,
Cambridge,	†Huntington,	Readsboro,
Canaan,	Hyde Park,	†Richford,
Castleton,	Isle La Motte,	Richmond,
†Cavendish,	Jericho,	Ripton,
Charleston,	Johnson,	Rochester,
†Chelsea,	Kirby,	†Rockingham,
†Chester,	Landgrove,	Royalton,
Chittenden,	Lincoln,	Ryegate,
Concord,	†Lowell,	Salisbury,
Cornwall,	Lunenburg,	†St. Albans,
Enosburg,	Lyndon,	§St. Albans (Town of),
Essex,	Marshfield,	Sharon,

Sheffield,	Underhill,	Westford,	
Shelburne,	Vernon,	West Haven,	
Sheldon,	Vershire,	Westmore,	
Shoreham,	Victory,	Weston,	
South Hero,	Waitsfield,	West Windsor,	
Stamford,	Walden,	Weybridge,	
Stockbridge,	Wardsboro,	Wheelock,	
†Stowe,	Warren,	Whiting,	
†Strafford,	Washington,	Whitingham,	
Sunderland,	Waterbury,	Williston,	
Sutton,	Waterford,	Wilmington,	
Swanton,	Waterville,	Windham,	
Thetford,	West Fairlee,	Winooski,	
Townshend,	Westfield,	Woodbury,	
Number organized with state aid,	.	.	118
Number organized without state aid,	.	.	12
Total,	.	.	130

†Has free use of public library in St. Albans (City) and makes annual appropriation for its support.

Class 2.

Towns which have free libraries in which the town has limited representation in the management.

Burlington,	Springfield,	Total—2.
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Class 3.

Towns in which there are free libraries to which the town appropriates money, but is not represented in the management.

Bethel,	Maidstone,	Rutland,
Brandon,	Morristown,	Wallingford,
Craftsbury,	Newbury,	Weathersfield,
Guildhall,	Pittsford,	West Rutland,
Ludlow,	Proctor,	Windsor,
		Total—13.

Class 4.

Towns having free libraries which receive no aid from the town.

Charlotte,	Lowell,	Williamstown,
Danby,	Montpelier,	Woodford,
Derby,	Newfane,	Woodstock,
Hartford,	St. Johnsbury,	Total—11.

Class 5.

Towns having libraries which are not free.

Arlington,	Danville,	Norwich,
Bradford,	Dorset,	Peacham,
Brookfield,	Grand Isle,	Shaftsbury,
Calais,	Londonderry,	Vergennes,
Clarendon,	Manchester,	Westminster,
Colchester,	Middlebury,	
Corinth,	Newark,	Total—19.

Class 6.

Towns which have no library.

Albany,	Hancock,	*Rutland (Town of),
Baltimore,	*Holland,	St. George.
*Barre (Town of),	Hubbardton,	Sandgate,
Berkshire,	Ira,	Searsburg,
Berlin,	Irasburg,	Sherburne,
Boomfield,	Jamaica,	Shrewsbury,
*Bolton,	Jay,	Somerset,
Brookline,	Leicester,	South Burlington,
Brownington,	*Lemington.	Stannard,
Brunswick,	Marlboro,	*Starksboro,
Coventry,	Mendon,	Stratton,
Dover,	Middlesex,	Sudbury,
*Dummerston,	Monkton,	Tinmouth,
Duxbury,	*Morgan,	Topsham,
East Haven,	*Mt. Holly,	Troy,
East Montpelier,	Mt. Tabor,	*Tunbridge,
Eden,	North Hero,	Waltham,
*Elmore,	Norton,	*Wells,
Fayston,	Panton,	Winhall,
Ferrisburg,	Plainfield,	*Wolcott,
Glastenbury,	Pownal,	*Worcester,
Goshen,	*Roxbury,	Total—67.
*Halifax,	Rupert,	

*Of these 17, marked with star, have traveling library stations.

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF LIBRARIES ESTABLISHED BY AID OF THE COMMISSION.

1895.

Andover Town Library,
Barton Town Library,
Canaan Free Library,
Chittenden Public Library,
Georgia Free Public Library,
Granby, Sunset Library,
Groton Public Library,
Granville Public Library,
Hardwick, Hathaway Free Public
[Library,

Hyde Park Public Library,
Island Pond Public Library,
Isle La Motte Public Library,
Johnson Public Library,
Kirby Free Public Library,
Landgrove Public Library,
Lunenburg Public Library,
Lyndon Free Public Library,
Marshfield Town Library,
Montgomery Free Public Library,
Northfield Free Public Library,
Orange Public Library,

Peru Free Public Library,
Poultney Free Public Library,
Ripton Free Library,
Rochester Free Public Library,
Ryegate Free Library,
Sharon Public Library,
Shelburne Free Library,
Sheldon Town Library,
South Hero Library,
Stamford Free Public Library,
Stockbridge Free Public Lib-
[rary.

Sutton Free Library,
Vernshire Town Library,
Walden Free Public Library,
Waterville Town Library,
Westford Town Library,
West Windsor Free Public
[Library,
Wilmington Free Library,
Windham Library,
Woodbury Town Library.

1896.

Alburgh Town Library,
Athens Public Library,
Cabot Public Library,
Concord Library,
Enosburg Town Library,
Fletcher Public Library,
Franklin Library,
Hartland Public Library,
Newport Town Library,

Orwell Free Library,
Pomfret Public Library,
Randolph Public Library,
Royalton Free Public Library,
Sunderland Town Library,
Waitsfield Public Library,
Waterford Public Library,
Westmore Public Library.

1897.

Castleton Free Public Library,
Highgate Town Library,
Reading (Felchville), The Davis
[Library,

Victory Public Library,
Wheelock Public Library.

1898.

Benson Public Library,
Fairlee Public Library,
Milton Free Library,

Shoreham Public Library,
Weston Public Library,

1899.

Cambridge Town Library,
Essex Public Library,
Fairfax Free Library,
Jericho Town Library,
Middletown Springs Public
Library
Readsboro Free Library,
Swanton Free Library,
Townshend Public Library,

Wardsboro Free Public
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Westfield Town Library,
West Haven Free Public
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Weybridge Free Public
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Whitingham Free Library.

1900.

Barnet Public Library,
Braintree Public Library,

Warren Town Library.

Greensboro Free Library,
Lincoln Free Library,

1901.

Fairfield Free Library,
New Haven Town Library,

Salisbury Public Library.

1902.

Addison Public Library,
Bristol Free Library,

Hinesburg Public Library.

1903.

Barnard, Charles B. Danforth
[Free Public Library,
*Guildhall Free Public Library,

Pawlet Public Library,
Underhill Town Library,

1905.

Cornwall Free Library,
Moretown Town Library,
Sheffield Free Public Library,
Vernon Free Public Library,

Waterbury Town Library,
West Fairlee Free public
[Library,
Williston Public Library,

1906.

Burke, Burrington Library.

1907.

Bakersfield Free Public Library.

Winooski Free Library.

1908.

Thetford, Latham Memorial Library.

1909.

Bennington Free Library,
Bridport Public Library,
Charleston Town Library,
Glover Town Library,

Plymouth Free Library,
Richmond Free Library,
Whiting Town Library.

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Belvidere Town Library.

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TOWN.	COUNTY.	LIBRARY.	LIBRARIAN.	P. O. ADDRESS.	DATE OF ESTABLISHMENT.	LIBRARY FREE.	STATE AID.	NO. OF VOLUMES.	LAST ANNUAL CIRCULATION.	AMOUNT APP. BY TOWN 1910.	ENDOWMENT.	POPULATION OF TOWN, 1900.
Addison.....	Addison.....	Addison free public.	Mrs. Myron A. Smith.....	Vergennes.....	1902	Yes	Yes	475	290	\$ 25.00		851
Albany.....	Orleans.....	No.....			1890	Yes	Yes	550		25.00		1,028
Alburgh.....	Grand Isle.....	Alburgh public.	Mrs. Josie R. Lewis.....	Alburgh.....	1896	Yes	Yes	2,136	2,466	15.00		1,474
Andover.....	Windsor.....	Andover town.	Adella E. Stannard.....	Simonsville.....	1899	No	No	450	511			372
Arlington.....	Bennington.....	Arlington circulating.	Martha H. Canfield.....	Arlington.....	1896	Yes	Yes	441		15.00		1,193
Athens.....	Windham.....	Athens public.	Mrs. Josephine S. Hastings.....	Cambridgeport.....	1906	Yes	Yes	250	314	25.00		180
Bakersfield.....	Franklin.....	Bakersfield free public.	Mrs. W. O. Start.....	Bakersfield.....	1879	Yes	No	1,000				1,158
Baltimore.....	Windsor.....	No.....			1903	Yes	Yes	1,081		50.00		55
Barnard.....	Calcutonia.....	Charles B. Danforth.....	Mrs. Jennie G. Putnam.....	Bethel.....	1900	Yes	Yes	2,050		100.00	\$ 500.00	840
Barnet.....	Washington.....	Barnet public.	Mrs. Henrietta Willey.....	Barnet.....	1909	No		50			75.00 an.	1,763
Barre, City, of.....	"	Albion public.		Barre.....	1872	Yes	No	8,176	65,882	300.00		8,448
"	"	Goddard Seminary.			1897			3,000				
Barton.....	Orleans.....	Barton public library.	Frances Butler.....	Barton.....	1895	Yes	Yes	1,250	5,740	200.00		3,346
"	"	Barton Landing branch.	Ruth M. Rogers.....	Orleans.....	1896	Yes	Yes	800				2,790
"	"	Barton Academy.		"	1891			2,330				
Belvidere.....	Lamoille.....	Belvidere high school.	Mrs. Mary M. Potter.....	Belvidere Center.....	1910	Yes	Yes	75		15.00		428
Bennington.....	Bennington.....	Belvidere town.	Mrs. Mary B. Merrill.....	Bennington.....	1865	Yes	Yes	8,445	13,261	1,200.00		8,033
"	"	Bennington free.	H. S. Welling.....	North Bennington.....	1900	Yes	No	2,300		200 town		
"	"	Old Academy.	Mrs. Caroline R. Merrill.....	Bennington Center.....	1896	Yes	No	2,700		100 village		
"	"	Vermont Soldiers Home.		Benson.....	1898	Yes	Yes	1,600	3,525	100.00		844
Benson.....	Butland.....	Benson public.	Mrs. Jerry Fowler.....	Benson.....	1898	Yes	Yes	1,600				1,326
Berkshire.....	Franklin.....	No.....			1892	Yes	No	2,000	3,900	40.00		1,021
Berlin.....	Washington.....	No.....										1,611
Bethel.....	Windsor.....	Bethel public.	Mary Gilson.....	Bethel.....	1892	Yes	No	2,000				

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Bethel	Windsor	East Bethel	Edith E. Fowler	East Bethel	1892	Yes	No	400	550	\$ 20.00		564
Bloomfield	Essex	No.										486
Bolton	Chittenden	No.										1,338
Bradford	Orange	Bradford public	Mrs. Minnie M. G. Carr	Bradford	1893	No	No	3,635			\$ 368.73 an.	
Braintree	"	Bradford high school										
Brandon	Rutland	Braintree public	Mrs. Byron-Wakefield	East Braintree	1895	Yes	Yes	714		25.00		776
Brattleboro	"	West Braintree	Lillian Batcheller	Braintree	1900	Yes	Yes	720		25.00		
"	"	Brandon free public	Mrs. F. E. Kingsley	Brandon	1901	Yes	No	5,000	9,370	200.00	651.00	2,759
"	Windham	Brattleboro high school	Mary F. Shakshober	Brattleboro	1868	No	No	50				
"	"	Brattleboro public			1882	Yes	No	18,956	34,460	2,000.00	100.00 an.	6,640
"	"	Baattleboro high school				No		400		25.00		
"	"	Brattleboro Retreat	L. E. Lawton	Brattleboro	1860			5,000				
Bridgewater	Windsor	West Bridgewater dram. club	Mrs. Hattie Coates	West Bridgewater	1909	Yes	No	109				972
Bridport	Addison	Bridport public	Mrs. W. E. Hough	Bridport	1909	Yes	Yes	314	98	25.00		956
Brighton	Essex	Island Pond public	Leta J. Eaton	Island Pond	1895	Yes	Yes	1,482	1,250	125.00		2,023
Bristol	Addison	Bristol free	Kate I. Stewart	Bristol	1902	Yes	Yes	1,974	6,900	800.00		2,061
Brookfield	Orange	Bristol high school						100				
"	"	Brookfield library association	Mrs. Laura A. Hood	Brookfield	1791	No	No	2,982			4.00 an.	996
"	"	Brookfield high school			1908	Yes		250				
Brookline	Windham	No.										171
Brownington	Orleans	No.										748
Brunswick	Essex	No.										106
Burke	Caledonia	Burrington	Mrs. L. H. Wells	Burke	1906	Yes	Yes	534		30.00		1,184
"	"	East Burke association	Mrs. E. F. Root	East Burke	1876	No	No	525				
"	"	West Burke association	Mrs. Helen M. Boyce	West Burke	1894	No	No	1,250				
Burlington	Chittenden	Fletcher free	George D. Smith	Burlington	1873	Yes	No	35,000	61,288	5,000.00	750.00 an.	18,640
"	"	Burlington high school				Yes		1,073		100.00		
"	"	University of Vermont	Helen B. Shattuck	"	1836	Yes	No	78,159			8,874.00 an.	
Cabot	Washington	Cabot town	W. B. Lance	Cabot	1896	Yes	Yes	1,000		50.00		1,126
Calais	"	Calais circulating	Mrs. Josephine Converse	Calais	1832	No	No	1,285	366			1,101
"	"	East Calais circulating	Walter J. Coates	East Calais	1863	No	No	1,600				
Cambridge	Lamoille	Cambridge public	Walter J. W. Kaymore	Cambridge	1899	Yes	Yes	520	797	25.00		1,606
"	"	Cambridge public	Carrie P. Carroll	Jeffersonville	1899	Yes	Yes	760	1,750	25.00		
"	"	Wilson memorial	A. M. Rice	"	1904	Yes	No	836		25.00		
Canaan	Essex	Canaan public	Mrs. John Carbie	Canaan	1895	Yes	Yes	1,100	1,200	50.00		934

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Castleton.....	Rutland.....	Castleton free public.	Minnie A. Rice.....	Castleton.....	1897	Yes	Yes	3,000	6,500	\$ 225.00	\$ 17.50	2,089
Cavendish.....	Windsor.....	State normal school. Fletcher town.....	Marion White.....	Cavendish.....	1867	Yes	No	3,000				
Charleston.....	Orleans.....	Charleston town.....	W. W. Adams.....	Proctorsville.....	1869	Yes	No	3,090	5,000	150.00	60.00 an.	1,352
Charlotte.....	Chittenden.....	Reading circle branch	Grace E. Knight.....	West Charleston.....	1869	Yes	Yes	3,300	2,000	150.00	60.00 an.	1,025
Chelsea.....	Orange.....	Breezy Point.....	Mrs. Irving R. Wolcott.....	East Charleston.....	1896	Yes	Yes	503	2,000	25.00		
		Chelsea public.....		Charlotte.....	1896	Yes	Yes	613				
		Chelsea academy.....	Nellie M. Corwin.....	Chelsea.....	1898	Yes	No	1,200			6.00 an.	1,254
		Whiting.....			1891	Yes	No	2,300	2,497	50.00		1,070
Chester.....	Windsor.....	Chester high school	C. Ginevra Pollard.....	Chester.....	1892	Yes	No	234				
Chittenden.....	Rutland.....	Chittenden free	Clarence Perry.....	Chittenden.....	1895	Yes	Yes	4,176	7,425	300.00	337.79 an.	1,775
Clarendon.....		North Clarendon.....	Mrs. J. H. Davis.....	North Clarendon.....	1902	No	No	200		25.00		621
Colchester.....	Chittenden.....	Winooski free.....	Estelle M. Packard.....	Winooski.....	1908	Yes	Yes	325				915
		Winooski high school.....			1888	Yes		1,600	9,150			5,352
		King's Daughters.....	Mrs. Archie McNeal.....	Colchester.....	1900	No	No	300				
Concord.....	Essex.....	West Concord public.....	Edith M. Brooks.....	Concord.....	1896	Yes	Yes	500	800	25.00		1,129
Corinth.....	Orange.....	Blake memorial.....	Mrs. S. A. Butterfield.....	East Corinth.....	1901	Yes	No	2,000	1,200		700.00 an.	978
Cornwall.....	Addison.....	Cornwall free.....	Anna Manchester.....	Middlebury.....	1905	Yes	Yes	700	280	45.00		850
Coventry.....	Orleans.....	No.....			1905	Yes	Yes					728
Craftsbury.....		Craftsbury academy.....	Mrs. Laura C. Tupper.....	North Craftsbury.....	1892	Yes	No	2,500	200	75.00		1,251
Danby.....	Rutland.....	S. L. Griffith memorial	Vera H. Griffin.....	Danby.....	1908	Yes	No	6,200	9,898		1,600.00 an.	964
Danville.....	Caledonia.....	Ladies' association.....	Bianche Hartshorn.....	Danville.....	1880	No	No	2,250			44.00 an.	1,628
Derby.....	Orleans.....	Haskell free.....	O. M. Carpenter.....	Derby Line.....	1905	Yes	No	14,445		2,800.00 an.		3,274
Dorset.....	Bennington.....	Dorset public.....	Hattie M. Gray.....	Dorset.....	1870	No	No	1,407				1,477
Dover.....	Windham.....	No.....										503
Dummerston.....		No.....										726
Duxbury.....	Washington.....	No.....										778
East Haven.....	Essex.....	No.....										171
E. Montpelier.....	Washington.....	No.....										1,061
Eden.....	Lamoille.....	No.....										738
Elmore.....	No.....	No.....										350
Enosburg.....	Franklin.....	Enosburg public.....		Enosburg Falls.....	1896	Yes	Yes	2,411	6,133	200.00		2,054
		Enosburg Falls high school.			1903			400				
	Chittenden.....	Essex free.....	E. H. Lawrence.....	Essex.....	1898	Yes	Yes	258		50.00		2,203

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Essex	Chittenden	Essex Junction free	Irma W. Beach	Essex Junction	1898	Yes	Yes	1,117		\$50 town		1,338
Fairfax	Franklin	Fairfax free	Mrs. W. D. Stewart	Fairfax	1899	Yes	Yes	825		90 village		1,830
Fairfield	"	Bellows Free Academy	W. H. Fairchild	Fairfield	1901	Yes	Yes	300		25.00		2,399
Fair Haven	Rutland	Fairfield town	Ellen F. Dewey	Fair Haven	1896	Yes	No	5,000		800.00		438
Fairlee	Orange	Fair Haven free	Mrs. Gertrude M. Campbell	Fairlee	1898	Yes	Yes	650		25.00		1,618
Payson	Washington	Fairlee public	No.									1,730
Payson	Washington	No.										1,140
Fletcher	Franklin	Fletcher public	W. S. Shepardson	Fletcher	1896	Yes	Yes	530		25.00		1,289
Fletcher	Franklin	Haston	C. W. Morgan	Franklin	1893	Yes	Yes	760		25.00	\$ 75.00 an.	899
Georgia	"	Georgia free public	Mrs. Abner Bliss	St. Albans	1895	Yes	Yes	475	977	25.00		286
Glasbury	Bennington	No.	H. N. Davis	Glover	1909	Yes	Yes	250		25.00		864
Glover	Orleans	Glover town	No.									182
Grafton	Windham	Grafton public	Mrs. Thaddeus Park	Grafton	1859	Yes	No	3,400	3,000	100.00	15.00 an.	544
Granby	Essex	Granby town	Mrs. Eva L. Wells	Granby	1896	Yes	Yes	350		15.00		871
Granville	Grand Isle	Granby club	Mrs. Edson Ufford	Granville	1868	No	No	300				1,059
Greensboro	Orleans	Granville free	Mrs. Harry H. Hubbard	Greensboro	1895	Yes	Yes	500	55	15.00		455
Groton	Caledonia	Greensboro free	Mrs. Frances H. B. Jackson	Groton	1900	Yes	Yes	1,910		125.00		782
Guildhall	Essex	Groton public	George N. Clark	Guildhall	1895	Yes	Yes	650	399	25.00		253
Guildford	Windham	Guildhall public	Minnie A. Ford	Guildhall	1900	Yes	Yes	737		50.00		2,468
Halifax	"	Guildford free	E. W. Legate	Brattleboro	1892	Yes	No	1,434	1,600	40.00	1,000.00	3,817
Hancock	Addison	No.										1,340
Hardwick	Caledonia	Judvine memorial	Carrie P. Bridgman	Hardwick	1897	Yes	No	1,218	6,600		480.00 an.	1,980
"	"	Hathaway free public	"	"	1895	Yes	Yes	1,310	3,160	400.00		1,218
"	"	Hartford academy	"	"		No		750				
Hartford	Windoor	Hartford public	Fanny L. Wright	Hartford	1893	Yes	No	4,000			250.00 an.	
"	"	Gates memorial	Mrs. Charles H. Brown	White River Junction	1907	Yes	No	3,000			90.00 an.	
"	"	Wildor club	Nellie Reihan	Quechee	1899	Yes	No	1,600				
"	"	"	Alice S. Chadwick	Quechee	1884	No	No	1,295	1,076		70.00 an.	
Hardland	"	"	Mrs. Robert C. Lansing	Hardland	1896	Yes	Yes	1,125	1,422	50.00		1,340
Highgate	Franklin	Highgate public	Josephine H. Lyon	Highgate Center	1898	Yes	Yes	464	1,260	25.00		1,980
Hinesburg	Chittenden	Hinesburg public	Mary A. Miles	Hinesburg	1902	Yes	Yes	1,225	2,268	25.00		1,218

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Hinesburg...	Chittenden..	Hinesburg high school.						50				888
Holland...	Orleans...	No.										488
Hubbardton...	Rutland...	No.										728
Huntington...	Chittenden	(Elected trustees)										1,472
Hyde Park...	Lamoille...	Hyde Park public	D. H. Scribner	Hyde Park	1895	Yes	Yes	1,510		\$ 50.00		1,472
Ira...	Rutland...	No.										989
Iraaburg...	Orleans...	No.										508
Isle La Motte	Grand Isle.	Isle La Motte free public	Cynthia N. Ritchie	Isle La Motte	1895	Yes	Yes	700	915	15.00		900
Jamaica...	Windham...	No.										530
Jay...	Orleans...	No.										1,373
Jericho...	Chittenden	Jericho town	Mrs. Jennie W. Hart	Jericho	1899	Yes	Yes	932		35.00		1,373
Johnson...	Lamoille...	Johnson public.	Mrs. C. H. Stearns	Johnson	1895	Yes	Yes	1,323		50.00		1,391
Kirby...	Caledonia..	State normal school.			1867	No		6150				350
Landgrove...	Bennington	Kirby free public.	Mrs. Mary E. Davis	Lyndonville.	1895	Yes	Yes	640	200	15.00		325
Leicester...	Adirondack	Landgrove public	Mrs. Grace M. Harris	So. Londonderry	1895	Yes	Yes	325	186	15 00		509
Lemington...	Essex...	No.										204
Lincoln...	Adirondack	Ladies' Aid.	Mrs. Bert Siple	Lincoln Center.	1899	Yes	Yes	1,015		25.00		1,152
Londonderry.	Windham...	Londonderry associa'n.	Helen Rounds	Londonderry	1882	No	No	1,014				981
Lowell...	Orleans...	So. Londonderry asso.	George A. Coombs	So. Londonderry	1902	No	No	1,000	900			982
Ludlow...	Essex...	Lowelltown	Mrs. M. Violet Sanborn	Lowell	1810	Yes	No	8,608	17,027	328.06		2,042
Lunenburg...	Essex...	Fletcher memorial	Frances M. Pierce	Ludlow	1901	Yes	No	1,200	2,200	125.00		968
Lynnton...	Caledonia..	Black River academy	Julia R. White	Lunenburg	1870	Yes	Yes	1,200	2,200	125.00		968
Lynnton...	Caledonia..	Alden Baich memorial	Elizabeth C. Hills	Lyndonville.	1886	Yes	Yes	3,539	16,391	800.00 \$ 160.00 an.		2,966
Lynnton...	Caledonia..	Lyndon institute.			1893			2,000				206
Maldstone*	Essex...	Mark Skinner.	Eleanor Eggleston	Manchester	1897	No	No	17,225	12,087		1,600.00 an.	1,955
Manchester	Bennington	Burr & Burton Semin y			1826	Yes		1,500				448
Marlboro	Windham..	No.										1,032
Marshall...	Washington	Isaquith public	Mrs. Mabel Cameron	Marshallfield	1899	Yes	No	3,768	5,729	125.00	160.00 an.	392
Monkton...	Rutland...	Ladies' association			1863	No	No	6,700			490.00 an	8,045
Middlebury	Adirondack	Epist Starrs	Etta M. Clark	Middlebury	1806	No	No	30,000	2,950			
"	"	Middlebury high school			1906	No		505		50.00		

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Middlesex.	Washington	No.										883
Middletown Spr'gs	Rutland.	Middletown Spr'g pub	Mrs. Sophronia Greene.	Middletown Sps.	1899	Yes	Yes	1,400	2,240	\$160.00		746
Milton.	Chittenden.	Milton free.	Winifred Flynn.	Milton	1898	Yes	Yes	473	1,350	25.00		1,804
Monkton.	Adison.	Milton graded school.						200				
Montgomery.	Franklin.	Montgomery free.	Mrs. L. Belle D. Head.	Montgomery Ctr.	1895	Yes	Yes	631		25.00		912
Montpelier.	Washington	Kellogg-Hubbard.	Evelyn S. Lease.	Montpelier	1894	Yes	No	21,290	48,387		\$8,732.75 an	1,876
"	"	Vermont State.	George W. Wing.	"	1825	Yes		54,566				6,266
"	"	Montpelier high school						850				
"	"	Montpelier Seminary.										
Moretown.	"	Moretown public.	Florence A. Haylett	Moretown.	1905	Yes	Yes	154		50.00		902
Morgan.	Orleans.	No										510
Morristown	Lamoille	Morristown Centean'	Frederick G. Fleetwood	Morrisville	1891	Yes	No	3,000	9,000	175.00	54.00 an	2,583
Mt. Holly.	"	People's Academy						550				999
Mt. Tabor.	Rutland.	No.										494
Newark.	"	No.										500
Newbury	Caledonia	Tenney Memorial.	Frances M. Atkinson.	Newbury	1897	Yes	No	6,257	6,178	150.00	320.00 an	3,125
Newfane.	Orange	Wells River	Mrs. Caroline S. Parker	Wells River	1858	No	No	2,000	1,827			905
New Haven.	Windham	Moore free.	Mrs. Philary C. Moore.	Newfane	1898	Yes	No	4,000	3,424		150.00 an	1,107
Newport.	Adison.	New Haven town.	George C. Coates.	New Haven	1901	Yes	Yes	700		25.00		3,113
Northfield.	Orleans.	Goodrich memorial.	Lizzie M. Sargent.	Newport	1899	Yes	No	8,446	22,731	170.00	32,000.00	2,855
"	Washington	Brown public	Ellen L. Brown	Northfield.	1895	Yes	Yes	2,420	10,750	600.00		
"	"	Northfield high school						500				
"	"	Norwich University.	Helen Cramton.	Northfield.	1819	Yes	No	15,000				
North Hero.	Grand Isle	No.										712
Norwich	Windso	Norwich public	Mary F. Olds	Norwich	1881	No	No	3,064	1,558			1,303
Norton.	Essex.	No.										592
Orange	Orange	Orange town.	Iris L. Richardson.	Orange	1880	Yes	Yes	575	150	15.00		1,150
Panton.	Adison.	Orwell free.	Addie M. Raymond.	Orwell	1896	Yes	Yes	1,685	3,701	150.00		409
Pawlet.	"	No.										1,731
Peacham	Rutland.	Pawlet public.	Orlando Bushce.	Pawlet	1903	Yes	Yes	1,299	5,000	200.00		794
Peru.	Caledonia.	Juvenile library asso.	Mrs. Kate I. Hutchinson	Peacham	1810	No	No	3,445			100.00 an	373
Pittsfield	Bennington	Peru free public.	Mrs. Effie L. Russell.	Peru	1896	Yes	Yes	725	600	15.00		436
"	Rutland.	Pittsfield free.	Mrs. Ida Durkee.	Pittsfield	1901	Yes	Yes	403		25.00		

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Pittsford	Rutland	MacLure	Bertha M. Shaw	Pittsford Mills	1797	Yes	No	6,986	10,588	\$ 307.00	\$ 110.00 an.	1,866
Plainfield	Washington	No	Charles M. Hall	Plymouth Union	1909	Yes	Yes	325	720	28.00		716
Plymouth	Windor	Plymouth free.	Mrs. O. E. Crawford	"	1886	No	No	301				646
"	"	Tyson				No	No	1,000				
"	"	Abbott memorial	Mrs. A. D. Chamberlin	Pomfret	1896	Yes	Yes	3,500	5,281	100.00		777
Pomfret	Rutland	Poultney public.	Adelaide P. Kilborn	Poultney	1896	Yes	Yes	5,215	10,315	500.00		3,108
Poultney	"	Troy Conference acad.			1837			3,980				
Pownal	Bennington	No										
Proctor	Rutland	Proctor public	Mary K. Norton	Proctor	1881	Yes	No	6,983	11,439	606.00	\$10,000	1,976
"	"	Proctor high school.						150				2,136
Putney	Windham	Putney public.	Freda C. Pember	Putney	1896	Yes	Yes	2,021	3,844	200.00	20.20 an.	969
Randolph	Orange	Kimball public.	Alice C. McIntyre	Randolph	1896	Yes	Yes	6,820	15,265	800.00		3,141
Reading	Windor	State Normal School.	Minnie C. Fay	Randolph Centre	1867	No		4,000				
Readsboro	Bennington	Reading free public.	A. P. Bishop	Reichville	1896	Yes	Yes	2,400	3,378	67.03	5,100.00	649
Richford	Franklin	Readsboro free.	Mrs. A. K. Brown	Readsboro	1899	Yes	Yes	1,191	2,500	100.00		1,139
"	"	Arvin A. Brown		Richford	1896	Yes	No	2,202	6,916			2,421
Richmond	Chittenden	Richford High school.						400				
Ripton	Addison	Richmond free	Helen M. Kimball	Richmond	1888	Yes	Yes	824	3,427	172.00	65.00 an.	1,067
Rochester	Windor	Ripton free.	Agnes B. Billings	Ripton	1895	Yes	Yes	850	15.00			525
Rockingham	Windham	Rochester free.	Helen J. McCray	Rochester	1896	Yes	No	1,200	1,400	200.00		1,250
"	"	Rockingham free pub.	Mrs. E. J. Plantier	Bellows Falls	1888	Yes	No	12,000	25,389	2,500.00		5,809
Roxbury	Washington	Vermont Academy	Mrs. C. C. Tillinghast	Saxtons River	1876	No	No	4,000				712
Royaton	Windor	No	Mary E. Whitney	Royaton	1896	Yes	No	1,000		80.00		1,427
"	"	Royaton free public.						400				
Rupert	Bennington	Royaton Academy										
Rutland	Rutland	No	Lucy D. Cheney	Rutland	1886	Yes	No	17,298	66,768	2,250.00		863
"	"	H. H. Baxter memorial	Mrs. A. F. Riker	"	1891	Yes	No	20,000			11,499	
"	"	Rutland high school.			1895			500				
"	"	Rouse of Correction						350				
"	"	No										
"	"	Ryegate public.	Mrs. C. F. Smith	Ryegate	1895	Yes	Yes	1,220	750	125.00		1,109
"	Caledonia	Whitchell	Mrs. L. J. Mills	Colton	1901	Yes	No	407				995
St. Albans City	Franklin	St. Albans free.	Bertha C. Jennison	St. Albans	1860	Yes	No	6,500	12,856	500.00	240.00 an.	6,239

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St. George.....	Chittenden.....	No.....										90
St. Johnsbury.....	Caledonia.....	St. Johnsbury Athen'm	Edward T. Fairbanks...	St. Johnsbury.....	1871	Yes	No	18,000	30,364	\$ 60,000.00		7,010
"	"	" Museum	Dela I. Griffin.....	"	1890	Yes	No	848				
"	"	" Academy						600				
Salisbury.....	Addison.....	Salisbury public.....	Samuel H. Kelley.....	Salisbury.....	1901	Yes	Yes	1,038	\$ 25.00			692
Sandgate.....	Bennington.....	No.....										482
Shafterburg.....	"	No.....										161
Shafterburg.....	"	No.....										187
Sharon.....	Windsor.....	Sharon free.....	Mrs. Fred Eddy.....	So. Shaftsbury.....	1874	No	No	850				1,857
Sheffield.....	Caledonia.....	Sheffield free public.....	Mrs. E. Slack.....	Sharon.....	1895	Yes	Yes	1,271	106	45.00		709
Shelburne.....	Chittenden.....	Shelburne free public.....	William Chesley.....	Shelburne.....	1905	Yes	Yes	2,702	2,432	16.00		724
"	"	"	Hannah E. Tracy.....	"	1895	Yes	Yes	2,702		150.00		1,202
"	"	"						252				
Sheldon.....	Franklin.....	Sheldon free public.....	Walter Curtis.....	Sheldon.....	1895	Yes	Yes	1,703	2,882	100.00	120.00 an.	1,341
Shoreham.....	Rutland.....	No.....										402
Shrewsbury.....	Addison.....	Platt memorial.....	Mrs. S. R. Witherell..	Shoreham.....	1898	Yes	Yes	2,300	2,303	175.00		1,193
Somersett.....	Rutland.....	No.....										985
So. Burlington.....	Windham.....	No.....										67
South Hero.....	Chittenden.....	No.....										971
Springfield.....	Grand Isle.....	So. Hero public.....	Mary Allen.....	South Hero.....	1895	Yes	Yes	521	252	50.00		917
"	Windsor.....	Springfield high school	Mrs. Kate W. Barney...	Springfield.....	1886	Yes	No	6,821	44,178	1,200.00	153.52 an.	3,452
"	"	"						100				
Stamford.....	Bennington.....	Stamford public.....		Stamford.....	1895	Yes	Yes	557	512	15.00		677
Stannard.....	Caledonia.....	No.....										222
Starksboro.....	Addison.....	No.....										802
Stockbridge.....	Windsor.....	Stockbridge free public	John A. Chedel.....	Gayville.....	1895	Yes	Yes	225		100.00		822
"	"	"						3,500				852
Stowe.....	Lamoille.....	Stowe free.....	Mrs. Mary A. Jenney...	Stowe.....	1866	Yes	Yes	3,082	3,200	50.00		1,936
"	"	"						402				
"	"	"										
Strafford.....	Orange.....	Harris.....	Mrs. G. M. Moore.....	Strafford.....	1855	Yes	No	6,000				1,200
Stratton.....	Windham.....	No.....								181.50 an.		271
Sudbury.....	Rutland.....	No.....										471
Sunderland.....	Bennington.....	Sunderland.....		Adington.....	1896	Yes	Yes					518
Sutton.....	Caledonia.....	Sutton free.....	Lucy Holtham.....	Sutton.....	1896	Yes	Yes	900	993	25.00		694

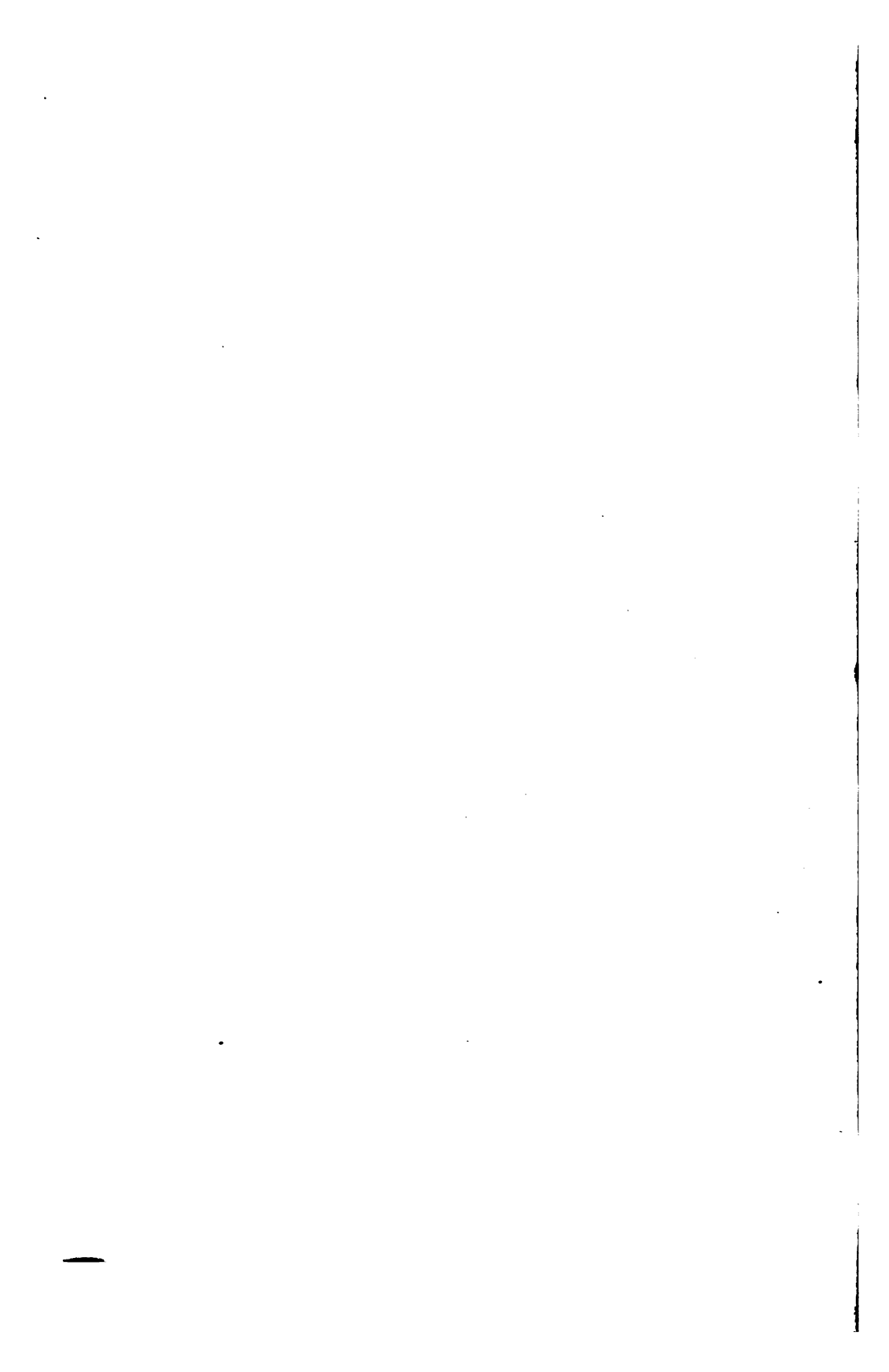
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Swanton	Franklin	Swanton free	Elizabeth Rogers	Swanton	1899	Yes	Yes	500
Thetford	Orange	Latham memorial	Mrs. F. E. Garey	Thetford	1878	Yes	Yes	2,600	.....	35.00	\$ 60.00 an.	1,249
"	"	Peabody	Alice L. Dodge	Post Mills	1866	Yes	No	5,000	.....	.....	3,000.00	.....
Tinmouth	Rutland	No	.....	Townshend	1899	Yes	Yes	600	1,300	25.00	.....	404
Topsham	Orange	Townshend free	Mrs. Ellen M. Plumb	Townshend	1899	Yes	Yes	600	1,300	25.00	.....	1,117
Troy	Orleans	No	.....	Underhill Center	1903	Yes	Yes	715	900	25.00	.....	1,833
Tunbridge	Chittenden	Underhill town	Mrs. Leslie Terrill	Underhill Center	1903	Yes	Yes	715	900	25.00	.....	1,467
Underhill	"	Vergennes city	Adella E. Ingham	Vergennes	1876	No	No	3,406	2,950	250.00	.....	1,140
Vergennes	"	Vt. Industrial school	.....	Vergennes	1876	No	No	3,406	2,950	250.00	.....	1,753
Vernon	Windham	Vernon free	Mrs. E. H. Akley	Dummer	1905	Yes	Yes	250	.....	25.00	.....	578
Vershire	Orange	Vershire public	Mrs. F. J. Akerman	Dummer	1895	Yes	Yes	450	.....	25.00	.....	641
Victory	Essex	Victory public	Mrs. E. M. Story	Vershire	1897	Yes	Yes	1,000	.....	15.00	.....	321
Waitsfield	Washington	Waitsfield town	Mrs. Flora Moriarty	Victory	1897	Yes	Yes	325	.....	15.00	.....	760
Walden	Caledonia	Walden free public	George T. Eastman	Waitsfield	1900	Yes	Yes	901	2,367	75.00	.....	764
Wallingford	Rutland	Gilbert Hart	May L. Congdon	South Walden	1896	Yes	Yes	513	424	25.00	.....	1,575
Waltham	Addison	No	.....	Wallingford	1894	Yes	No	4,000	9,156	441.91	.....	264
Wardsboro	Windham	Wardsboro free	Mrs. L. A. Axtell	Wardsboro	1899	Yes	Yes	700	.....	15.00	.....	637
Warren	Washington	Warren public	Mrs. M. R. Goodspeed	Warren	1900	Yes	Yes	343	75	25.00	.....	826
Washington	Orange	Washington public	Mrs. George W. Downing	Washington	1880	Yes	Yes	1,000	153	25.00	40.00 an.	820
Waterbury	Washington	Waterbury public	Mrs. Alice M. Smith	Washington	1880	Yes	Yes	8,125	12,801	402.00	750.00 an.	2,810
Waterford	Caledonia	Waterford free public	Caroline H. Streeter	Waterbury	1888	Yes	Yes	576	26.03	26.03	.....	705
Waterville	Lamolle	Waterville town	Mrs. Nettie Blanchard	Waterford	1896	Yes	Yes	872	.....	15.00	.....	529
Weathersfield	Windoor	Proctor	Nellie P. Blanchard	Waterville	1895	Yes	No	1,227	1,259	150.00	.....	1,089
Wells	Rutland	No	.....	Ascutneyville	1903	Yes	No	.....	.....	.....	.....	606
West Fairlee	Orange	West Fairlee town	Maudie A. Bliss	Wardsboro	1899	Yes	Yes	980	62	25.00	.....	531
Westfield	Orleans	Westfield public	Mrs. E. Hitchcock	West Fairlee	1905	Yes	Yes	800	.....	25.00	.....	646
Westford	Chittenden	Westford free	Mrs. John E. Allen	Westfield	1899	Yes	Yes	850	.....	25.00	.....	888
West Haven	Rutland	West Haven free	Mrs. S. R. Hitchcock	Westford	1895	Yes	Yes	417	74.00	74.00	.....	355
Westminster	Windham	Ladies' Aid society	Rev. R. T. Chafer	West Haven	1899	Yes	No	1,130	42	.....	45.00 an.	1,295
Westmore	Orleans	Westmore public	Joseph Legacy	Westminster W.	1870	Yes	Yes	375	240	15.00	.....	1,890
Weston	Windoor	Wilder memorial	Nanna J. French	Westmore	1896	Yes	Yes	1,145	54.77	50.00 an	756

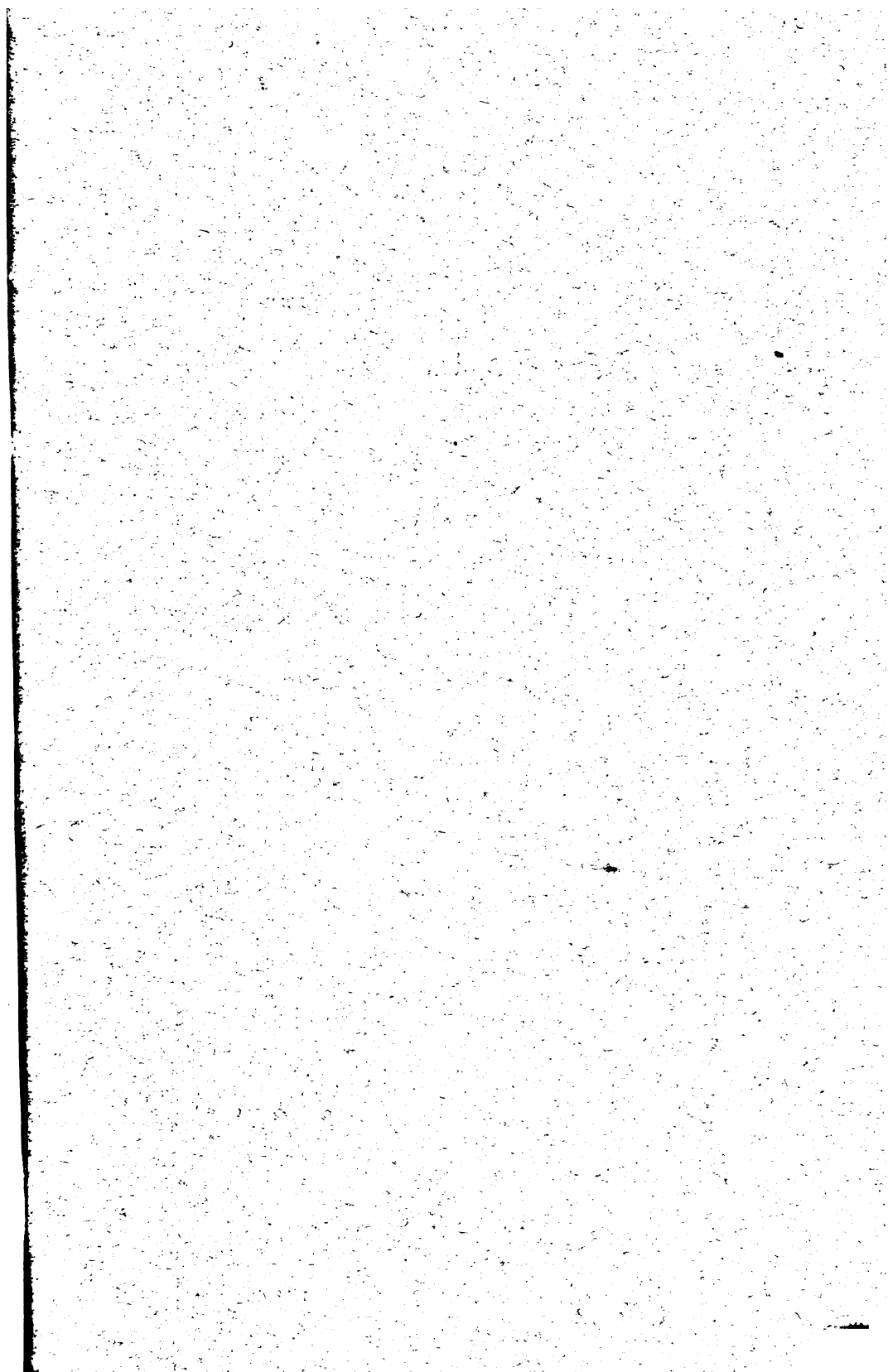
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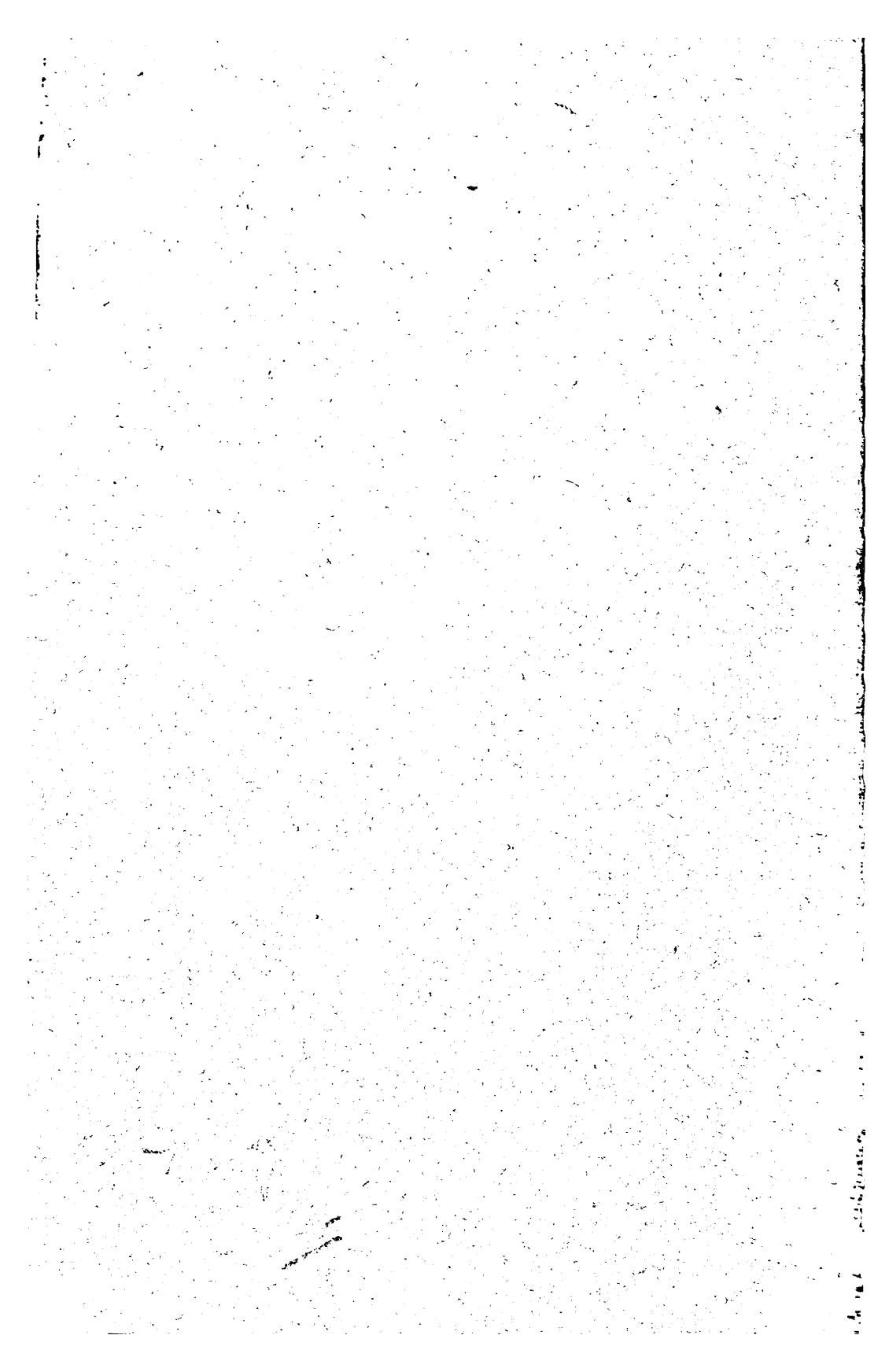
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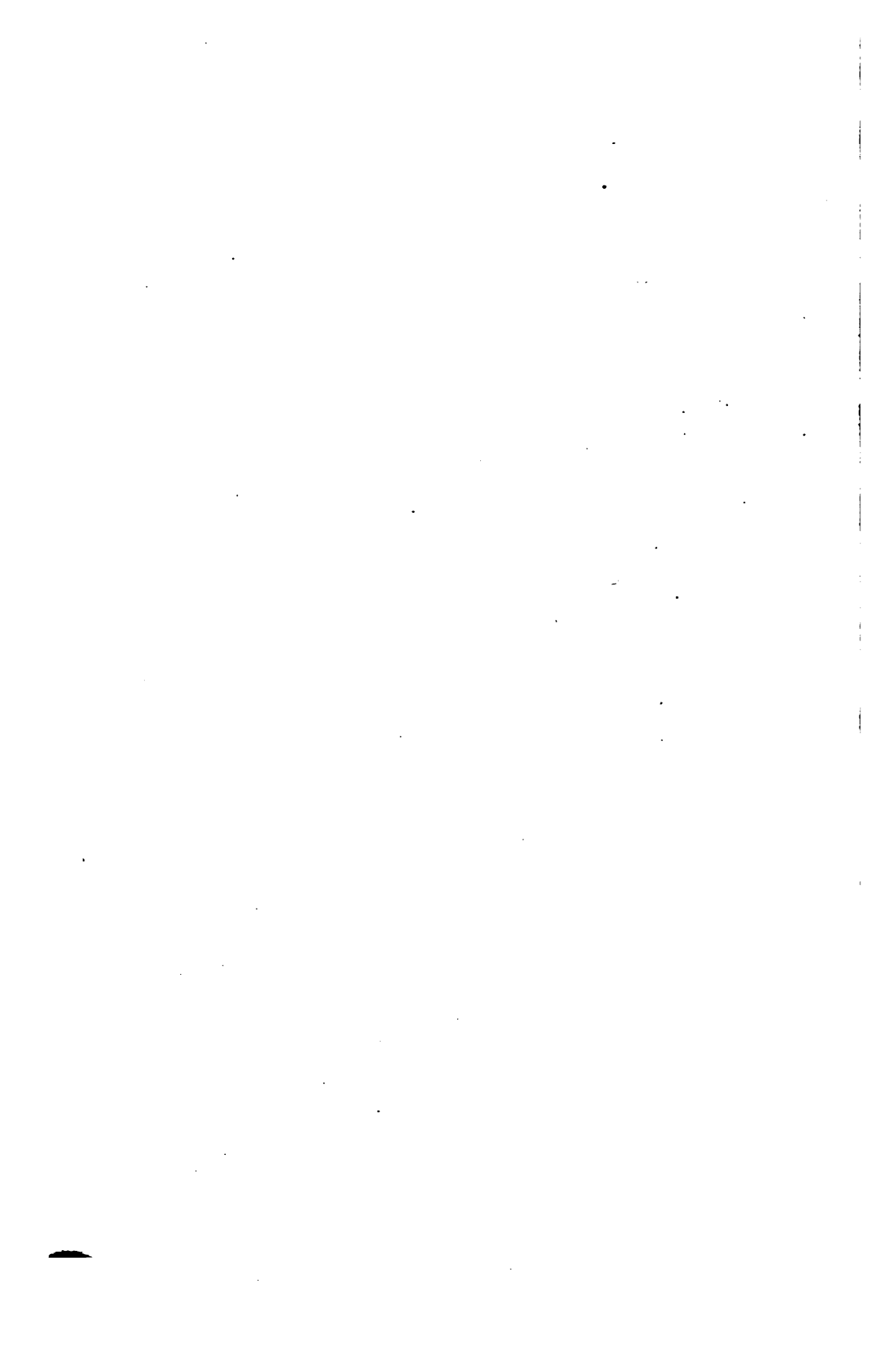
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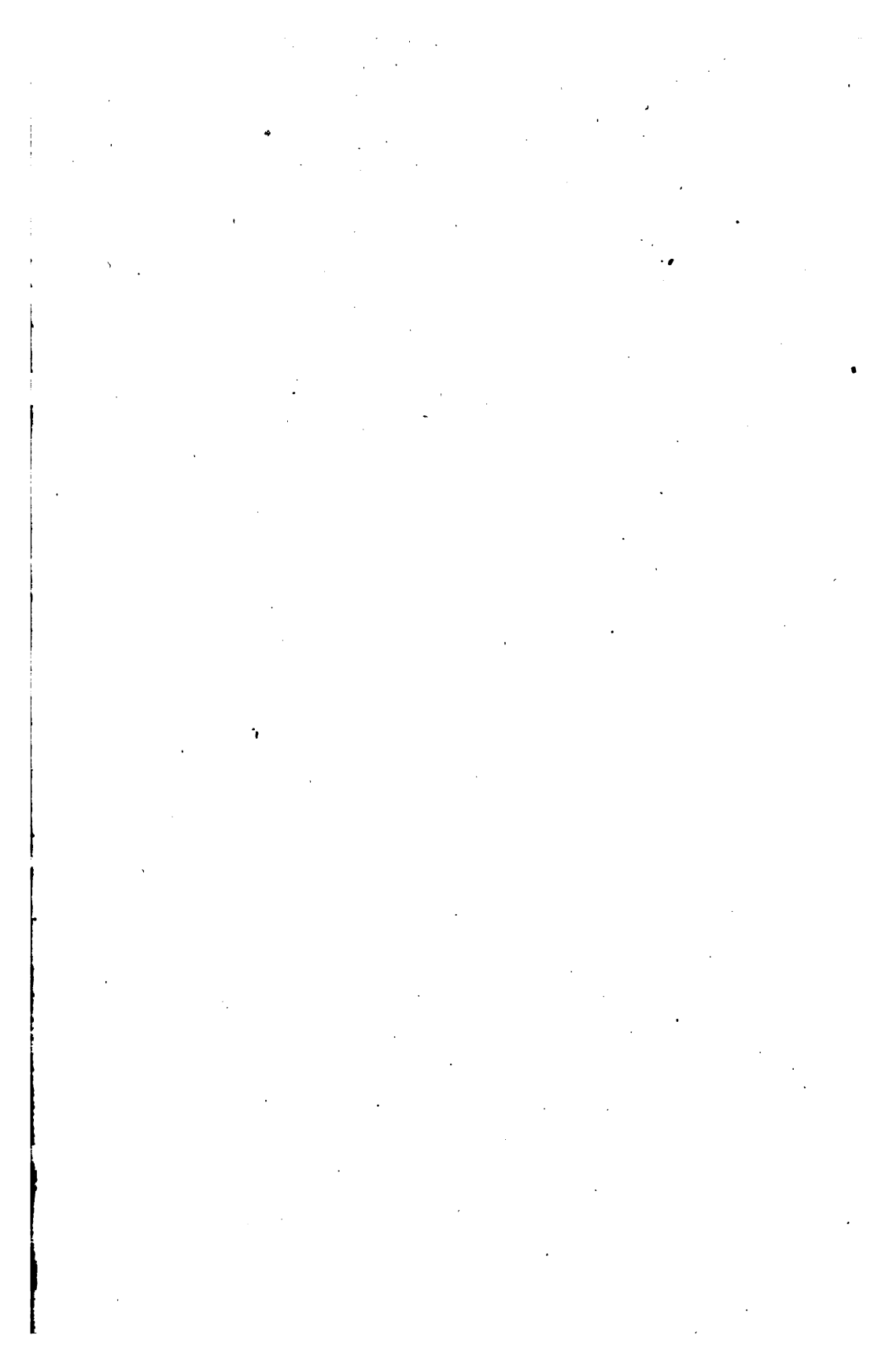
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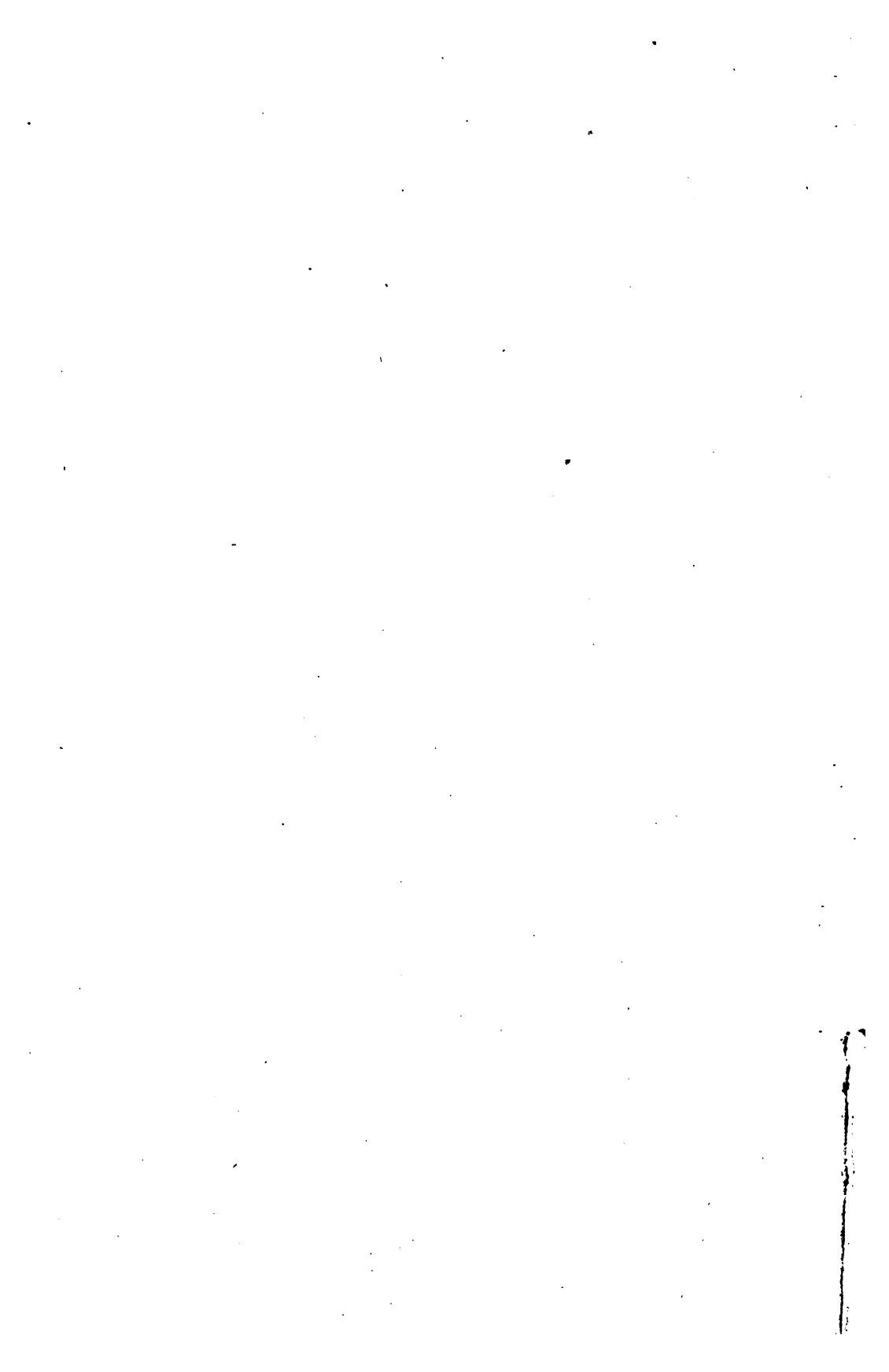












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